

FIRST
PASTORAL REPORT
OF THE
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,
PHILADELPHIA,
PRESENTED TO THE CONGREGATION
AT EASTER, APRIL 19, 1835,
BY
THE RECTOR.

PHILADELPHIA.

1835.

NOTICE.

THIS is one of an annual series to be printed alike, and given to the congregation at Easter in each year. If they are preserved and bound together, each member of the congregation will be in possession of a complete history of the Church from its foundation.

THE following named gentlemen compose the Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, elected on Easter-Monday, April 20, 1835.

LEWIS R. ASHHURST, } *Church Wardens.*
CASPAR MORRIS, }

ALEXANDER W. JOHNSTON,
WILLIAM MUSGRAVE,
JACOB LEX,
ISRAEL KINSMAN,
FREDERICK W. PORTER,
THOMAS S. TAYLOR,
ISAAC HAZLEHURST,
HENRY M'ILVAINE,
ABNER ELMES,
JOSEPH WATSON.

Leader of Choir.

E. IVES, Jr.

Organist.

CHARLES JARVIS.

Sexton.

JACOB LEIDY.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

THIS corporation was first organized in October, 1833, at a meeting called at the house of Dr. Casper Morris. A Vestry was elected at that meeting, to continue in office until Easter, 1835. By the Vestry the Rector of the Church was subsequently elected on the same evening. The Vestry proceeded immediately to the purchase of a lot on the northwest corner of Chestnut and Schuylkill Eighth streets, 132 feet front on Chestnut street, and 178 feet deep, and the commencement of a Church edifice. They adopted a plan for building which was submitted to them by Thomas U. Walters, Esq., Architect. In the month of November, 1833, the cellar was excavated, and the walls all completed up to the floor of the basement story, when the whole was covered with a temporary roof, and thus enclosed for the winter. In February, 1834, an act of incorporation was obtained, and the title papers of the ground transferred to the Vestry. On the 24th of March the corner-stone of the Church was laid by the Rt. Rev. Bishop White, when an address was delivered by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, and also by the Rector of the Church. Copies of the latter, which was printed by the order of the Vestry, may be had by application to the Rector.

On the first Sunday in August, 1834, the religious services of the congregation were commenced in the lecture room of the Church. They were continued here on every Sunday until the consecration of the Church.

On Saturday, the 12th of October, the Church was consecrated by the Rt. Rev. Bishop White, who also preached upon this occasion. From that time the religious services of the congregation have been held in the Church. After the Church had been opened for three Sundays, the pews were offered for sale. Up to Easter, 1835, 28 pews have been sold, and 51 rented.

CONGREGATION.

The number of families belonging to the congregation is 92; the number of souls is 350, adults 200 and children 150.

MARRIAGES.

Celebrated during the year past, 13.

FUNERALS.

Only one interment has taken place in the Church-yard.

BAPTISMS.

Adults, 6; Infants, 11; Total, 17.

CONFIRMATION.

On Wednesday evening, April 15, 1835, the Rt. Rev. Bishop Onderdonk held a confirmation in the Church, when the following twenty-three persons renewed in that ordinance the vows and covenant of their Baptism.

Joseph Watson,
Mrs. Harriet S. Watson,
Mrs. Louisa Duane,
Eliza Hotzbecher,
Mary A. Mingle,
Mrs. Margaret Britton,
Ann McNichol,
Mrs. Elizabeth Bellingham,
Mrs. Sarah M. Oliver,
Mrs. Anna C. Duncan,
Caroline P. Rand,
Mrs. Ann Hosea,
Jane Town,
Mrs. Sophia Latimer,
Charlotte Corry,
Mrs. Elizabeth Montgomery,
James Garland,
Mrs. Ale-Ann Garland,
Hannah P. Fairlamb,
Hester Maxwell,
Anna H. Maxwell,
Louisa Secrets.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered for the first time in the Church to the communicants organized as a body, on the first Sunday in November, 1834. There were received at that time 29 members. The number has since increased to 87. Of these 66 have united themselves with this Church, as members from other Churches. And 21 have been admitted here for the first time as communicants in the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNICANTS

Received from other Churches.

Lewis R. Ashhurst, from St. Paul's, Philadelphia.
 Mrs. Mary Ashhurst, do. do. do.
 Caspar Morris, from St. James' do.
 Mrs. Ann C. Morris, do. do. do.
 William Musgrave from St. Paul's, do.
 Mrs. Eleanor B. Musgrave, do. do. do.
 Thomas S. Taylor, do. do. do.
 Mrs. Mary M. Taylor, do. do. do.
 Zebulon Locke, from St. James' do.
 Mrs. Harriet Locke, do. do. do.
 Mrs. Sarah Locke, do. St. Peter's Church, Berkeley, N. J.
 Deborah V. Lock, do. do. do.
 Mrs. Caroline M. Jackson, do. St. Paul's, Philada.

Mrs. Mary Russel, from Norwich, Conn.
 Mrs. Grace Gill, do. St. John's Ch., N. Liberties.
 Mary Elizabeth Gill, do. do. do.
 Charlotte M. Ashley, do. St. Paul's, Philadelphia.
 Mrs. Ann Jones, do. do. do.
 Ann Morgan, do. do. do.
 Erasmus J. P. Messinger, do. St. Andrew's, do.
 Abner Elmes, do. 5th Presbyterian Church, do.
 Mrs. Maria Elmes, do. do. do.
 Caroline K. Elmes, do. do. do.
 Mrs. Mary Stevenson, do. Christ Church, do.
 Mrs. Catharine Pearce, do. St. Paul's, do.
 Mrs. Susan W. Tyng, do. do. do.
 Catharine Seaton, do. St. Stephen's, do.
 Isabella C. Town, do. St. Paul's do.
 Sarah A. Montgomery, do. do. do.
 Mrs. Juliana Porter, do. do. do.
 Anna H. Maxwell, do. St. Stephen's Ch., N. York.
 Hester Maxwell, do. do. do.
 Edward Green, from Ireland.
 George A. Smith, from St. Andrew's, Philadelphia.
 Mrs. Ophelia Smith, do. do.
 Mrs. Elizabeth B. Hazlehurst, do. do.
 Julia Hazlehurst, do. do. do.
 Sarah E. Ashley, do. do. do.
 Marianne Walker, do. do. do.
 Mrs. Francis West, from St. Paul's, do.

Ruth Newton, from Ireland.
 Mrs. Jane Metcalf, from do.
 Catharine L. Brooke, from St. Andrew's, Philada.
 John Montgomery, from England.
 Mrs. Elizabeth Montgomery, from do.
 Mrs. Ann Irvine, from St. James', Philadelphia.
 Ann Margaret Hirneisen, from St. Peter's, do.
 Lloyd Bankson, do. St. Paul's, do.
 Mrs. Salome W. Bankson, do. do. do.
 Charles Smith, do. St. James', do.
 Mrs. Mary Smith, do. do. do.
 Mrs. Mary Gerraty, do. St. Peter's, do.
 Eliza Holtzbecher, do. Lutheran Church.
 Jane Town, - - do. Baptist Church.
 Louisa Secrets, from St. Paul's, Philadelphia.
 John R. Savage, do. St. Michael's Church, Trenton, N. J.
 Mrs. Hester M. Savage, do. do. do.
 Ann Corry, - - do. do. do.
 Elizabeth Patchell, from Christ Church, Philada.
 Mrs. Arcadia R. Harris, from St. Paul's, do.
 Joshua Cowpland, do. St. Andrew's, do.
 Mrs. Catharine W. Cowpland, do. do. do.
 Frederick W. Porter, do. do. do.
 Mrs. Sarah C. Porter, do. do. do.
 James C. Hulme, - do. do. do.
 Martha C. Hulme, - do. do. do.

The following persons have been received as communicants upon their own profession, since November, 1834 :

Mrs. Lucy Russel,
 Mrs. Adelaide Rogers,
 Mrs. Sarah M. Oliver,
 Henry Williams,
 Hannah P. Fairlamb,
 Mrs. Anna Catharine Duncan,
 Josephine Pritchett,
 Mary A. Mingle,
 James Garland,
 Mrs. Ale-Ann Garland,
 Joseph Watson,
 Mrs. Harriet S. Watson,
 Mrs. Louisa Duane,
 Ann McNichol,
 Mrs. Elizabeth Bellingham,
 Caroline P. Rand,
 Mrs. Ann Hosea,
 Mrs. Sophia Latimer,
 Charlotte Corry,
 Josiah Hewes Gill,
 Mrs. Margaret Britton.

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

One of the most flourishing departments of the Church is the Sunday Schools.

These were organized on the first Sunday in December, 1834, with a Male and Female Department. The schools were opened with 4 teachers and 10 scholars in the male school. And with 5 teachers and 15 scholars in the female-school.—There are now in the male school 10 teachers and near 100 scholars—and in the female school 10 teachers and about 80 scholars.

Each department is divided into a Bible Class and an Infant School, each taught by a single teacher, and the intermediate Sunday School, taught in classes by several teachers.

Lewis R. Ashhurst is the Superintendent of the Male School, and the Rev. George A. Smith is Superintendent of the Female School.

There are full advantages in the schools for the Biblical instruction of all the youth in the congregation of both sexes, from 5 years of age to 20. I would commend the Bible classes especially to the notice of the youth of both sexes of the ages between 14 and 20, in the congregation, as especially suited to them, and certain to be improving, under the blessing of God, to their minds and hearts.

There are three libraries belonging to the schools. One for the teachers and the Bible Class, containing between 40 and 50 volumes. And one

for each of the schools, containing each, above 250 volumes.

The first annual sermon for the Sunday schools was preached on the second Sunday in January, when the congregation contributed 175 dollars to their endowment.

The Rector examines the schools in the Catechism and in the Scriptures, on the afternoon of the last Sunday of every month.

BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATIONS.

I. *Male Association for the promotion of Christianity.*

Quarterly subscriptions for 1835, about \$100.

The Board of Trustees consist of the Rector, a Treasurer, Secretary, and six Managers, elected by the Association, who meet on the first Wednesday evening of every month. The quarterly subscriptions are due on the first Wednesday evening of January, April, July, and October.

Treasurer—Zebulon Locke,
Secretary—William Musgrave.

II. *Female Association for the promotion of Christianity.*

Quarterly subscriptions for 1835, about \$80.

This Association is organized upon the same plan in all respects as the one above.

Treasurer—Miss Marianne Walker.

Secretary—Miss Catharine Seaton.

III. *Sewing Society Auxiliary to the Female Association.*

Meets every Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, in the Vestry-room, to make articles for sale.

I would respectfully and affectionately solicit every male and female belonging to the congregation to become a contributor to one of the above Associations, to such an amount as each individual may reasonably afford.

Besides the contributions to these Associations, and the annual collection for the Sunday Schools, the congregation have contributed \$60 to the Church at Tecumseh, Michigan. The monthly Missionary collections on the first Wednesday of each month, average nearly \$30.

We must never forget that "the liberal deviseth liberal things, and by liberal things shall he stand."

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

Two services on each Lord's-day. Morning service, from Easter to the 21st September, commences at 10 o'clock. From 21st September to Easter, at half past 10 o'clock.

Afternoon service, from the 1st of May to the 1st of October, at half past 4 o'clock. From 1st of October to 1st of May, at half past three o'clock.

On the last Sunday of each month there is no afternoon service. The Church is then opened at night.

On every Wednesday evening, there is a lecture in the Lecture-room.

On every Friday evening, there is a meeting for prayer in the eastern Sunday-school room.

On every Friday evening also, there is a meeting of the Sunday-schools Teachers, immediately after the Prayer-meeting, for the consideration of the lesson for the ensuing Sunday.

The Church has been in a spiritually flourishing state from its commencement. We have been in operation yet but a few months,—but the Lord has already added several to his Church, of such as shall be saved; and every thing connected with us, is at this time in the most promising and prosperous condition. Our congregation is small yet,—but it is perfectly joined together in the same mind and the same judgment, and we have cause for much, and unfeigned thankfulness to the Great Saviour, who has been the gracious source of all our

benefits. In looking forward to the duties of another year, I cannot but hope, that its results will be a large increase of true piety in the Church, and the addition of many converted souls to our number. I ask a personal interest in your daily prayers to God, for my work and myself.

Your affectionate Pastor,

STEPHEN H. TYNG.

SECOND
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THE following named gentlemen compose the Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, elected on Easter-Monday, April 4, 1836.

LEWIS R. ASHHURST, }
CASPAR MORRIS, } *Church Wardens.*

ALEXANDER W. JOHNSTON,
WILLIAM MUSGRAVE,
JACOB LEX,
FREDERICK W. PORTER,
THOMAS S. TAYLOR,
ISAAC HAZLEHURST,
HENRY M'ILVAINE,
ABNER ELMES,
JOSEPH WATSON,
GEORGE B. REESE.

Leader of the Choir.

JOHN POOLE.

Organist.

CHARLES JARVIS.

Sexton.

JACOB LEIDY.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

THE temporal concerns of the corporation have during the last year, been much prospered. Immediately after Easter, 1835, the Vestry determined to proceed with a completion of the exterior of the Church and churchyard. To prevent any increase of the pecuniary responsibilities of the corporation, there was a subscription made by individuals in the congregation for the accomplishment of the object, amounting to about \$4000. This work was not completed until late in the autumn; and its progress through the summer by rendering the access to the Church so inconvenient, formed a considerable impediment to the advance of the congregation, and the prosperity of the enterprise. In the religious concerns of the Church, this long obstruction to regular services has probably made our increase, great as it has been during the year, much less than it would have been, had circumstances been more favourable. The same obstacle prevented the increase of the congregation through that portion of the year. But God, who in his wisdom, thus tried us with some discouragements, has been pleased, since that time, to prosper and bless us very abundantly. I know not how to express in too strong

terms my sense of the liberal spirit, with which God has been pleased to endow the congregation committed to me. Many pews and vaults were sold after the Church was completed in the autumn. But these sales were not sufficient to remove the pressing responsibilities resulting from an enterprise so extensive as the one in which we were engaged. There was, therefore, another subscription raised by individuals, amounting to nearly \$20,000,—to remove the demands which others had against the corporation, and to release the enterprise from a heavy burden. This liberal effort was also largely assisted, by some gentlemen who were not members of the corporation. The subscription has been invested in pews in the gallery, and under the gallery, which are generally regarded as the least saleable, in order that the Vestry might have in their hands, all the pews remaining unsold, which were most likely to command the attention of purchasers. This effort has relieved the Church from a large responsibility, and given a degree of prosperity and encouragement to our prospects, which is very important and valuable to us. While we are enabled to act with such a spirit of enterprise and liberality, we cannot but succeed under the gracious blessing of God. Now the pecuniary incumbrances remaining upon the Church, are comparatively small, and a few years

will undoubtedly see them all removed. The congregation has increased in some degree, during the year past. But the circumstances of our location render a rapid occupation of the Church, not to be expected. Within a few years more, such is the increasing growth of population around us, there will be no room to spare in the Church.

The present number of families in the congregation is about 115. The number of souls about 450, of whom 200 are children. This is a considerable increase upon the last year's report, being wholly within the few past months. It is, indeed, a much more important increase, than appears in numbers, inasmuch as there has been an exchange of several families that were with us only temporarily, for others who have purchased pews as permanent members of the congregation. The number of pews which have now been sold is 123. Of these, 70 make up the investment already noticed, and 53 have been purchased by individuals for their own occupation. The number of pews rented, beside the above, is about 50.

MARRIAGES.

Celebrated during the past year, 15.

FUNERALS.

Five interments have taken place during the

year past. Of these, two were strangers, and three, viz:—

Miss Ann D. Todd, daughter of S. P. Todd, Esq.
Randall Robbins, son of Enoch Robbins, Esq.

Hon. Charles Smith,
were members of the congregation. The last was a communicant in this Church, and the first one of our communicants who has departed the present life.

BAPTISMS.

Infants, 25; Adults, 5; Total, 30.

CONFIRMATIONS.

There have been two confirmations in the Church during the past year.

The first was held by the Right Rev. Bishop White, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 16, 1835, when the following twenty-six persons renewed in that ordinance the promises made at their baptism.

Catherine L. Brooke,
Ellen M. Brooke,
Ellen S. Rand,
Samuel Hazlehurst, Jr.
John L. Goddard,
Matthew T. Miller,
Abner Elmes,

Mrs. Maria Elmes,
 Caroline K. Elmes,
 Matthew Semple, Jr.,
 John Wilmer,
 Robert Connor,
 Mary Ann Helpin,
 Enoch E. Locke,
 Mrs. Ruth Locke,
 John Bell,
 Mrs. Martha Bell,
 Benjamin F. Bache,
 Stephen M. Harris,
 William T. Elbert,
 George W. Montgomery,
 Edmund Leaf,
 Joseph P. Gill,
 Francis Bell,
 Mrs. Marinda A. Bicknell,
 Ellen Stewart.

The second confirmation was held on the evening of Good-Friday, April 1, 1836, by the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, when the following fourteen persons renewed their covenant with God in this ordinance.

William Duane, Jr.
 Robert T. Bicknell,
 Lewis Lewis, Jr.
 Bennington Gill, Jr.,

Thomas C. Yarnall,
 John M'Garvey,
 Robert Johnson,
 Mrs. Frances Johnson,
 Mary Allen,
 Ellen Costellow,
 William Maxwell,
 Mrs. Rachel Maxwell,
 Matilda Maxwell,
 Mrs. Abigail Wells.

COMMUNICANTS.

The number of communicants mentioned in the last report, as received before Easter, 1835, was 87. Of these, 66 were received from other churches, and 21 united themselves to the communion of the Church here, upon their own profession. For the names of all these, you can refer to the last year's report. Of these, *one*, the Hon. Judge Smith, has since deceased. There have since been added 63, and the present number is 149.

The following twenty-eight persons have been received as communicants from other churches, within the past year:—

William Maxwell, from St. Stephen's Church, N. Y.
 Mrs. Rachel Maxwell, do. do.
 John Hockley, from St. Andrew's Church, Philad.
 Mrs. Catherine Hockley, do. do.

Mrs. Mary Hockley, from St. Andrew's Ch., Philad.
 Mrs. Rachel G. Hause, do. do.
 Elizabeth Orr, from Ireland.
 Matthew T. Miller, from Central Presbyterian
 Church, Philadelphia.
 John W. Hoffman, from St. Paul's Church, Philad.
 David Wall, from St. Peter's Church, Baltimore.
 John M'Garvey, from Ireland.
 Mrs. Naomi Miller, from Swedesborough, N. J.
 Mrs. Sarah G. Gibson, from St. Stephen's, Philad.
 Mrs. Hannah Hale, from St. Paul's Church, do.
 Matilda Maxwell, from 10th Presbt. Church, do.
 Ann Barrington, from Trinity Church, Southwark.
 Antonia C. Nicholson, from St. Andrew's Ch., Phil.
 Mary H. Haven, do. do. do.
 Margaret M. Haven, do. do. do.
 Mrs. Matilda Dillard, do. do. do.
 Mrs. Frances Oats, do. do. do.
 Frances C. Oats, do. do. do.
 Mary Orr, do. Ireland.
 Henry Seaton, do. St. Stephen's Philad.
 Mrs. Sarah Seaton, do. do. do.
 Mary Ann Seaton, do. do. do.
 Mrs. Jane C. Nekervis, do. St. Paul's, do.
 William P. Smith, do. St. Andrew's, do.

The following thirty-five persons have been re-

ceived as communicants on their own profession,
 during the past year:—

Benjamin F. Bache,
 Mrs. Ann Johnston,
 Ellen M. Brooke,
 Adam Seed,
 Mrs. Eliza Seed,
 John St. Hill,
 Mrs. Marinda A. Bicknell,
 Ellen S. Rand,
 Stephen M. Harris,
 Samuel Hazlehurst, Jr.,
 William T. Elbert,
 John L. Goddard,
 Mary Ann Helpin,
 Enoch E. Locke,
 Mrs. Ruth Locke,
 John Wilmer,
 Robert Connor,
 Edmund Leaf,
 John Bell,
 Mrs. Martha Bell,
 Francis Bell,
 Matthew Semple, Jr.,
 William Duane, Jr.,
 Robert T. Bicknell,
 Lewis Lewis, Jr.,

Bennington Gill, Jr.,
 Thomas C. Yarnall,
 Robert Johnson,
 Mrs. Frances Johnson,
 Mary Allen,
 Ellen Costellow,
 Mrs. Abigail Wells,
 Mrs. Anna Maria Smith,
 Margaret Corry,
 George W. Montgomery.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

This department continues to be increasingly flourishing. I consider it one of the happiest circumstances connected with the Church, that the Sunday Schools have from the commencement of it, enlisted so much attention and regard. While this shall continue to be the fact, the Church will undoubtedly flourish, both in its temporal and spiritual concerns. There is no surer indication of the real state of a Church, in the present day, than the condition of its Sunday Schools. If these languish, it shows that those who profess to be Christians, are not really interested in the work which the Lord has given them to do. They may have a name to live, but they are dead.

I subjoin the first annual report of the Sunday

Schools, which contains a history of the schools to the close of the year 1835. Since the commencement of the year 1836, the schools have flourished even more than they have before, and are larger now than ever before. Still, though we have so many teachers, we are in want of more in both schools.

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL ASSOCIATION OF THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

JANUARY 1, 1836.

Organization and History.—

THIS association was formed at a meeting called by the Rector, held in the Vestry-room, on the 13th of November, 1834. There were present at that meeting, *seven* males and *eleven* females, who offered themselves as teachers in the Sunday School. At this, and at two subsequent meetings in the same month, a constitution and regulations for the government of the Association and of the schools, were prepared and adopted. All necessary arrangements were made for the commencement of the schools on the 30th of November.

in this department of the Church, by frequently attending on these occasions.

The second annual sermon for the Sunday Schools was delivered by the Rector on the first Sunday in January, 1836, when \$202 89 were collected for the support of the schools for the current year.

BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATIONS.

I present here the first annual report of the Male and Female Associations of the Church of the Epiphany for the promotion of Christianity. It will be seen that the first year's efforts of the congregation in this department has not been an unimportant one. Yet it is a fact, in some degree discouraging to me, that out of a congregation of above 250 adults, only 59 are enrolled as subscribers to these Associations! Why should not *all* be united in them! May I not ask for this! May I not expect it! The amount of subscription is left wholly to individual ability and convenience. But the congregation have so accustomed me to look for united and harmonious action among them, that I cannot but feel as if I were in some measure separated from them, when they do not show, by a small contribution, at least their approbation of the plan which I propose. *Less than a fourth part* of the congregation in number, have this year contributed nearly *eleven hundred*

dollars to spread abroad the Gospel through these associations. Will not the other *three-fourths* now be willing to unite in the effort, that we may harmoniously carry forward this effort, with a great increase for the year to come?

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

Of the Associations of the Church of the Epiphany, presented at the annual meeting on the first Wednesday in April, 1836.

These Associations were formed in consequence of the following circular, addressed by the Rector to the members of the congregation, in March, 1835.

To the congregation of the Church of the Epiphany.

My beloved Friends,—I have felt a great anxiety to unite the efforts of our congregation in a systematic course of religious benevolence. God has bestowed upon us as a Church many privileges and comforts. Few communities ever have had, or ever can have, the opportunity to enjoy the blessings of the Gospel more abundantly. For these mercies we manifestly owe an adequate return to the Giver of all good. We cannot pay him back in any other way, than in assisting others who are spiritually destitute, for his sake. This seems plainly to be our duty. I have every reason to believe, from the

proofs which you have already given me of your liberality of spirit, that you are prepared to unite with me, and to sustain me in every effort to do good to others. There are millions of our fellow-men, in our own land, and in other lands, destitute of all the privileges of the Gospel, and waiting for our exertions to supply their wants. We are looked to, as a congregation, to do our part in this great work. That we may do it systematically, and regularly, and, therefore, the more easily, I propose your union in the following plan. It will be a privilege to you, to give of your wealth for the promotion of the Gospel. God can and will far more than overpay you for every sacrifice you may be disposed to make for this object. I affectionately ask your approbation of what I now submit to your notice, and your subscription, to whatever amount you may feel able and disposed to give.

CONSTITUTION

Of the Associations of the Church of the Epiphany, for the promotion of Christianity.

Believing it to be our privilege and duty, as a Christian congregation who have received much from our Lord Jesus Christ, to contribute to the spiritual relief of those who are destitute, and that we can better accomplish this purpose by uniting

our exertions, than by individual efforts, we agree to the following articles of association, and obligate ourselves to contribute, *quarterly*, the sums which we have severally specified, while the kind providence of God shall give us the ability, for the promotion of Christianity among men.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the MALE (OR FEMALE) ASSOCIATION OF THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY FOR THE PROMOTION OF CHRISTIANITY.

ART. 2. Every member of the congregation of the Church of the Epiphany, who shall contribute quarterly to the funds of the Association, shall be considered a member thereof.

ART. 3. The objects of the Association shall be to contribute to the support of Foreign and Domestic Missions,—the education of pious, indigent young men for the Gospel ministry,—the gratuitous circulation of the Scriptures and the Book of Common Prayer,—the establishment of Sunday Schools,—the distribution of Religious Tracts, and in other methods to the promotion of Christianity.

ART. 4. The Rector of the Church of the Epiphany shall be the President of the Association. The other officers shall be a Treasurer and Secretary, and six Managers, who shall be elected by the members at the annual meeting. The officers

of the Association shall constitute a Board of Trustees, to continue in office until others are chosen by whom the funds of the Association shall be distributed. The consent of a majority of the Board shall be required to every appropriation.

ART. 5. The annual meeting of the Association shall be held on the first Wednesday in April. The Board of Trustees shall meet on the evening of the first Wednesday in every month, and shall present an annual report, at the annual meeting in every year.

In proposing to your acceptance the preceding Constitution, I am anxious that you should sustain the effort as liberally as you shall be able. May I ask you how much you feel able and willing to give to the promotion of Christianity among men, in the various methods proposed to you? If the rule is just, "thou shall love thy neighbour as thyself," may I ask how much do you feel able and willing to give to gain the privilege of the Gospel for yourselves? Are you ready to make this a measure for what you will do for others? Can you give twenty dollars, quarterly,—or fifteen dollars,—or ten dollars,—or five dollars,—or four, or three, or two dollars, or one dollar,—or a half dollar,—or a quarter? "God loveth a cheerful giver, and accepteth us according to that which a man hath, and

not according to that which he hath not." Will you oblige me, by subscribing the blank attached to this, filling it with whatever sum you feel willing to give quarterly to this object, and then, cutting off that portion of the paper which contains it, and return it to me, either previous to the first Wednesday in April, or place it in the collection box on that evening!

With great affection and respect,

Your Friend and Pastor,

STEPHEN H. TYNG.

Attached to each of these circulars, was a blank in the following words:—

Male [or Female] Association of the Church of the Epiphany for the promotion of Christianity.

I agree to give quarterly, on the first Wednesday of April, July, October, and January, in each year, to the above Association.

March, 1835.

This blank was signed by *nineteen* subscribers to the Male Association, and by *forty* subscribers to the Female Association. From this source the Treasurers of the two associations have received \$707 50. From additional donations, some from members of the associations, and some from persons

who were not members, they have received \$167 59; and from the monthly Missionary collections, taken up at the Missionary meeting on the first Wednesday evening of every month, they have received \$211 82; making the total receipts of the two associations, \$1086 91.

For the first year's effort this is highly encouraging; considering how new and small the congregation is in which it has been made; and how few comparatively of the congregation have yet been induced to unite in it. But we cannot but hope, that a plan for parochial effort, in propagating the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, which in this case has worked so advantageously and well, will be adopted by all the members of the congregation. There seems no reason why the receipts of the association should not be doubled in the coming year. There is, undoubtedly, sufficient ability in the congregation to make them even more increased than this; and that there is a disposition to exercise their ability liberally, has been already manifested. Let us all then unite in carrying forward this effort, until we have exerted our utmost power for the accomplishment of the great end we have in view.

The funds which have been raised, during the year past, have been appropriated by the Trustees of the two associations, as will be seen by the Treas-

urer's reports. They have been nearly equally divided between the two great departments for Christian effort, the Foreign and Domestic. And various channels of useful influence have been sought in each. To the Foreign Department there have been appropriated \$425; and to the Domestic \$450. In addition to these there have been given \$175 to the education of young men for the ministry, an appropriation which cannot be distinctly regarded as either exclusively Domestic or Foreign. In these appropriations we do not doubt the members of the associations will concur, as being, in all respects, satisfactory to them, and encouraging in regard to future efforts for this cause.

And now, that we have been permitted thus to finish this first year with so much encouragement and prosperity, let us be thankful to God, for the great privilege of labouring for his glory, in sending means of salvation to mankind; and with new zeal and ardour enter upon the work yet before us. The congregation to which we belong is favoured with peculiar blessings from on high. The Great King of Zion establishes the principle "to whom much is given, from them, also, shall much be required." His Church responds to this principle, and acknowledges the obligation which is laid upon every one of her members, to do what they can for

him. As a part of this great body let us unite cheerfully, to say for ourselves "we delight to do thy will, yea, thy law is within our heart."

ABSTRACT OF TREASURER'S ACCOUNT OF MALE
ASSOCIATION.

Male Association of the Church of the Epiphany
for the promotion of Christianity, in account with
Zebulon Locke, Treasurer:—

DR.

To cash paid Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, for half a missionary's salary in Illinois, - -	\$125 00
To cash paid do. do. for China Mission, - - -	100 00
To cash paid Bishop White Prayer-book Society, - - -	50 00
To cash paid Young Men's Bible Society of Philad'a, for distribution in China, - - -	50 00
To cash paid Rt. Rev. Bishop Smith, for Theological Seminary in Kentucky, - - -	100 00
To cash paid American Sunday-school Union, for foreign distribution, - - -	50 00
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	\$475 00
Balance on hand, April 1, 1836, - - -	36 91
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	\$511 91

CR.

By quarterly subscriptions from 19 Subscribers, - - -	\$321 00
By Donations, - - -	85 00
By half monthly Missionary collections, on the first Wednesday of each month, - - -	105 91
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E. E. April 1, 1836. - - -	\$511 91
(Signed,) ZEBULON LOCKE, Treasurer.	

ABSTRACT OF TREASURER'S ACCOUNT OF FEMALE
ASSOCIATION.

Female Association of the Church of the Epiphany for the promotion of Christianity, in account with Marianne Walker, Treasurer:—

DR.

To cash paid for a Scholarship in the Episcopal Education Society, - - -	\$75 00
To cash paid Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, for half a missionary's salary in Illinois, - - -	125 00
To cash paid for Tracts sent to Missionaries in China, - - -	25 00
To cash paid for the support of a Missionary in West Chester, Pennsylvania, - - -	50 00
To cash paid Protestant Episcopal Sunday-school Union, - - -	100 00

To cash paid Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, for Greek Mission,	100 00
To cash paid do. do. for China Mission,	50 00
To cash paid American Sunday-school Union, for foreign distribution,	50 00
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	\$575 00

CR.

By quarterly subscriptions from 40 Subscribers, - - -	\$386 50
By Donations, - - -	82 59
By half monthly Missionary collections, on the first Wednesday of each month,	105 91
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E. E. April 1, 1836.	\$575 00

MARIANNE WALKER, *Treasurer.*

In presenting to you this first annual report of the associations, I would earnestly ask every member of the congregation, both male and female, young and old, who has not united in them, to engage in the work. Let us have, in this thing also, one mind and one judgment.

The subscriptions are to be paid quarterly, or the whole year at once, if it be preferred. The sums may be rolled in a piece of paper, with the subscriber's name, and the quarterly amount written with-

in it, and placed in the collection boxes on the first Wednesday evening of each quarter,—or they may be handed to the Treasurer of the respective associations,—or they may be passed to them, through the Rector's hands, just as the subscribers prefer. The *first* quarter is due the first Wednesday in April; the *second* in July, the *third* in October; and the *fourth* in January. As the anniversary is on the first Wednesday in April, for the present year, the first can readily be paid on the first Wednesday evening in May. I have been so explicit, because there have been many mistakes and some confusion in the year past.

Mr. ZEBULON LOCKE is the Treasurer of the Male Association; and

Miss MARIANNE WALKER is Treasurer of the Female Association, for the present year.

In closing this department of my pastoral report, I would affectionately ask every one in the congregation, who has not already become a subscriber, to fill up and sign the blank at the close of this report, and return it either to one of the Treasurers or to me. Past subscribers will be considered as subscribing the same for the present year, as they have before given, unless they are disposed to increase their subscriptions, in which case they will please to fill up and sign the blank also, and return it as before mentioned.

The FEMALE SEWING SOCIETY continues to meet every Thursday afternoon in the vestry-room, at 2 o'clock, to make articles for sale, for the same objects. Are there not some more ladies in the congregation who are prepared to unite in this? If there are, they will be welcomed as above.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The services of the last year have been very interesting, and much prospered.

On the Lord's day there are two services—morning and afternoon, at the usual hours—except on the last Sunday of the month, when the Church is open at night, and there is no service in the afternoon; there is also public service on Christmas, Ash-Wednesday, and Good Friday.

Lecture every Wednesday evening. The first Wednesday evening of each month is devoted to missionary objects, when a collection is always made.

Meeting for prayer every Friday evening. After which a meeting of the Sunday-school teachers.

During the season of Lent there is a meeting for prayer, every day, at 5 o'clock, P. M.; and a lecture in the lecture-room, every Sunday evening. The services of the last Lent have been most precious and interesting. God has been among us to

bless us, and we have rejoiced in the experience of his goodness to our souls.

On the first Sunday of every month the Lord's Supper is administered, when the morning prayer is always read before breakfast, in order to make the services less fatiguing to the Rector, and to remove the necessity of dismissing the congregation during the communion, because of the length of the service which belongs to it. I am happy to say that this arrangement seems to have been agreeable and satisfactory to the congregation, as I have never witnessed any of them leave the Church during the administration of the communion.

EPISCOPAL RECORDER,

Edited by the Rev. George A. Smith, published every Saturday by William Stavelly, 12 Pear street, at \$2 50 per year. I should be glad that every family in the congregation had this paper.

SPIRIT OF MISSIONS.

The monthly Missionary publication of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, at \$1 per annum. Thomas Robins, Agent, No. 96 Market street.

And now, in closing this second pastoral report, I cannot but bless the Lord, for what he has been pleased to do for us. We have seen our difficulties and obstacles removed; perfect harmony and

peace ruling in our congregation ; not a single root of bitterness to spring up, to trouble us ; but all agreeing together in love and sympathy. We have had delightful evidences of the Lord's converting power among us, as the increase of our communicants I hope, may testify. It has been especially encouraging to see the number of young men among us, who have been led to make a public devotion of themselves to the service of God. In this the Church has been particularly favoured, and the prospect of thus building up the future prosperity and increase of Zion, is most encouraging. Let us give thanks unto the Lord God for all his benefits, and be excited to labour with more diligence and more dependence for the year to come. Pray for each other, and for the Church, and for me. Bear one another's burdens ; and endeavour to perpetuate among yourselves the unity of spirit in the bond of peace, with which God has blessed you. Thus, while we live together, we shall be happy in the Lord ; and whenever we are called to separate for time, we shall hope to meet again in peace, and be joined to our precious and glorious Saviour, throughout eternity.

I am, in affection, which needs not words to express it, your Pastor and servant in the Lord,

STEPHEN H. TYNG.

Easter, 1836.

— *Association of the Church of the Epiphany,
for the promotion of Christianity.*

I agree to give *quarterly*, on
the first Wednesday of April, July, October, and
January, in each year, to the above Association.

April, 1836.

✍ Sign this, and fill up the blank, and send it
as notified on page 49.

THIRD
PASTORAL REPORT
OF THE
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,
PHILADELPHIA,
PRESENTED TO THE CONGREGATION
AT EASTER, MARCH 26, 1837,
BY
THE RECTOR.

PHILADELPHIA:
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No. 12, Pear Street.
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1837.

NOTICE.

THIS is the third of an annual series to be printed alike and presented to the congregation at Easter in every year.—If they are preserved, each member of the congregation will have a complete history of the church from its commencement. Any members of the congregation who have not received the first and second reports, may obtain them, by applying to the sexton.

The following named gentlemen compose the Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, elected on Easter-Monday, March 27, 1837.

LEWIS R. ASHHURST, } *Church-Wardens.*
CASPAR MORRIS, }

WILLIAM MUSGRAVE,
JACOB LEX,
FREDERICK W. PORTER,
THOMAS S. TAYLOR,
HENRY M'ILVAINE,
JOSEPH WATSON,
GEORGE B. REESE,
SAMUEL HAZLEHURST,
HENRY SEATON,
CHARLES WILLIAMS.

Leader of the Choir.

JOHN POOLE.

Organist.

CHARLES JARVIS.

Sexton.

JACOB LEIDY.

13, Juniper Lane, three doors from Walnut Street.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

IN presenting this third annual report of the state of the church, to the congregation, I can hardly say that "my song shall be of mercy and judgment." Our path has been surrounded only by circumstances of prosperity, and God has poured out his blessings upon us so very abundantly, that we have to sing to him, of mercy alone. In our temporal concerns, though the corporation is still subjected to what must be considered a heavy incumbrance, there has been a steady advance of prosperous occurrences in our behalf. And a continuance of the spirit of liberality and zeal which has thus far marked the character of the congregation, will, under the blessing of God, ensure the speedy and final discharge of all pecuniary responsibilities. We have reason to believe, that this enterprise was undertaken, with a single desire to extend the dominion of the truth of God, for the salvation of the souls of men; and that they who have been engaged in it, have constantly realized, that the conversion of a single soul from sin to God, is a gain of more importance, than thousands of silver and gold. But the enterprise, when viewed in contrast with the pecuniary ability with which it was undertaken, was an immense one. It would have been no dishonor to have failed in it; for the very conceiving of it was a noble project. It is reason for ardent gratitude, that it has fully succeeded. Such a system of religious truth, as this church was established to maintain, is never likely to meet the countenance, or to secure the patronage of the worldly. Our object with the world, is its conver-

sion, not its favor. Our strength and dependence are in the Lord of Hosts. It was not surprising to us, that the opening of such a church, for the distinct promulgation of those great principles of the gospel which are entirely distasteful to the natural mind of men, should have at first, little popularity with the giddy and the thoughtless. It could not be reasonably expected, that it would be rapidly filled from them. But we have had grace given to us, to compromise nothing—we have not faltered, or yielded, in the course upon which we entered. And God has proved to us, that "they who are with us, are more than they who are against us." The foundation of this church is in the great evangelical principles which the Episcopal Church teaches in all her standards—man's entire guilt and ruin by nature—his full and perfect justification, through the imputation of the righteousness of the Lord Jesus Christ received by faith; his new creation in holiness, by the Spirit of God;—his full, final, and everlasting salvation, through the grace of God in Christ Jesus. To these great principles of truth, as God has taught them in his holy word, and as the Episcopal Church has received the same, we adhere, and God has blessed the proclamation of them among us, to the salvation of many. Upon this ground we have prospered. The influence which this church already exercises, and which it is designed to exercise in the community is, and must be great and effectual. May our character and conduct among men, always be such, as shall honor and advance the great principles, by which we profess to be united.

CONGREGATION.

I AM not able to state with accuracy in this report, the number of families in the congregation, or of the adults and children composing them. They have increased in number beyond my power to gain an adequate knowledge of them. I presume the number of families is now, at least two hundred. It is my wish and object, to keep an accurate statement of this fact, as soon as I shall have time to make it. Our attending congregation on the Sabbath is very large. The church is usually filled. The attendance on the Wednesday evening lecture has much increased. So also has the prayer-meeting on Friday evening. Still it would be very encouraging, if the latter were yet more generally attended. The habit of united prayer is all-important to our spiritual success—and, in my judgment, no effort has been more certainly blessed, to our spiritual increase, than this weekly prayer-meeting. The character and appearance of our congregation on the Sabbath, are exceedingly encouraging. It is perhaps as serious and attentive an assembly as can be found in any house of worship in the land. The order of our services, the regularity of our arrangements, and the apparent devotion of the worshippers in our sanctuary, have been the subjects of repeated remark, by visitors to our church. I should be glad to see a little improvement in the *punctuality* of attendance. No one should fail to be in church, if possible, *five minutes before* the actual hour of commencing the duties of public worship, that the minds of all may be ready for the duty before them—and that

those engaged in worship may not be disturbed by the entrance of others, nor the service interrupted by their moving about the church. I have been sometimes grieved to see the effect produced by this late entrance to worship. You will pardon the freedom of this suggestion, and gratify me, I am sure, with an endeavor to attend to it. I would add to it, the propriety of silent prayer for a moment after the blessing is pronounced, and the stillness of the congregation for that purpose, in opposition to the rushing out, which is sometimes so annoying to the serious worshippers of God, and so destructive of the serious effects of the services in which we have been engaged.

MARRIAGES

Celebrated during the past year, 14.

FUNERALS.

Five interments have been made during the past year. Of these, two were strangers. The remaining three belonged to the congregation, viz.

Mrs. Mary Smith, widow of Hon. Charles Smith.

Humphrey B. Shaw, son of Oliver A. Shaw.

Thomas Taliaferro, infant son of Dr. T. T. Dillard.

The first of these three is the second member of our communion, who has departed this life; her respected husband being the first.

BAPTISMS.

Adults, 13—Infants, 22. Total 35.

CONFIRMATION.

The Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk (being now the bishop of the diocese, Bishop White having deceased on the 17th July, 1836) held a confirmation in the church, on Sunday evening, March 19th, when the following 54 persons made in this ordinance a public profession of religion:

Charles Jacobs,
George B. Reese,
John Anderson,
Francis B. Stockton,
Richard O'Donnell,
William B. Plume,
Charles W. Smith,
John J. Reese,
John Murray,
James M'Cabe,
Anthony M'Garvey,
James M'Garvey,
James Beatty,
Paul G. Oliver,
Joseph S. Shaw,
Samuel Potts,
Jacob Leidy,
Oliver A. Shaw,
Mrs. Maria Newell,
Mrs. Harriet Henry,
Mrs. Margaret Reese,
Jane Ann Galbraith,
Margaret M'Cooch,

Mrs. Mary Engle,
Mrs. Ann C. Morris,
Susan O'Donnell,
Ann Roche,
Caroline Bonsall,
Emily Stevenson,
Eliza Morton,
Jane Cassady,
Emily Macpherson,
Elizabeth D. Natt,
Emily H. Natt,
Eliza Shields,
Mrs. Mary M. Wallace,
Mrs. Ella Birckhead,
Margaret K. Birckhead,
Maria S. Birckhead,
Mary Musgrave,
Hannah Jackson,
Hester Orr,
Jane R. McClellan,
Mary P. Winter,
Mrs. Anna E. Price,
Ann Young,

Mrs. Margaret Smyth,	Mrs. Ann Kirkpatrick,
Sarah Ann Morgan,	Mrs. Mary M. Simmons,
Maria L. Mitchell,	Mrs. Ann A. Shaw,
Mrs. Mary Wadsworth,	Mary Cheston.

This was a most interesting occasion to us, and I present to you here, the account which I gave of it, and the circumstances attending it, in the Episcopal Recorder at the time:

"Upon the same principle which will lead a Christian to call upon all who fear God, to hear what God hath done for his soul, may a Christian pastor properly speak to his brethren and friends of what God has been pleased to do for the people committed to his charge. It is not in any other spirit, than grateful acknowledgment for his goodness, that I would mention this subject in your paper; but in this spirit I desire your permission to speak of his mercies. There has been during this winter in many of our Episcopal churches in this city, a remarkable seriousness and an encouraging attention to the preaching and ordinances of the gospel. In the church of the Epiphany, we commenced our usual daily prayer-meeting with the season of Lent, hoping much, from our experience of last year, in the blessing of God upon our prayers. The attendance upon the meeting, from the very commencement, was at least threefold in numbers, the attendance of last year, being on an average about one hundred and fifty persons. A serious and anxious spirit seemed to pervade the assembly, and I could perceive that many had entered upon the season of worship with their minds much interested in the truths and promises of the gospel. On the 7th, 8th, 9th, and 10th of March, several of my brethren assisted me in

a continuance of most interesting religious exercises, upon which, though the weather was for much of the time inclement, a large congregation attended. There were *ten*, out of the *fourteen* rectors of the churches in the city and liberties, who assisted me in preaching, and exhortation and prayer. The Lord was manifestly present, to own and bless his truth. The state of mind in the hearers, was prepared to receive the word; and in many hearts it was felt, like the rod smiting the rock, causing penitence for sin, and love to Christ to flow out. I had in previous weeks met a class of candidates for religious profession, the bishop having appointed a confirmation in the church on the evening of the 19th of March. But such was the effect of these meetings at our association, leading many more to determine to be on the Lord's side, that I was induced to appoint a meeting for them on Saturday and on Monday evening after the association. Above fifty additional persons presented themselves to hear the advice and exhortation of their pastor. The services of the association were an unspeakable blessing to the congregation, and they will look forward to any future effort of the kind, with more entire confidence and hope. The bishop visited the church on the evening of the 19th, according to his appointment; and he came to us as a messenger of good. Such a visit, any congregation might well prize, as a peculiar mercy from the Most High. He preached a most awakening sermon from the words, "What shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" showing the value and the dangers of the soul, and faithfully urging men to attain its salvation. He addressed the candidates for confirmation before and after the administration of the rite in a faithful and impressive manner. I blessed God in

my heart, while he was thus speaking, that my hands were so upheld, and my labors were so encouraged. So remarkably coincident were his exhortations with what I had myself given them, that many of them could not but look around to me, as he laid down his points, as much as saying, "this is just what you have told us." It was a happy co-operation for them, and for the work in which we were engaged. I had the great pleasure of presenting to the bishop *fifty-five** persons, ready to take upon themselves a covenant to be the Lord's, making *one hundred and sixteen* confirmed in this church within the last two years. They were from the young, and the mature of my flock,—a harvest in which I hope I may find joy for eternity. The spacious chancel of our church was nearly filled by them. The bishop's manner with them was solemn and affecting. The most perfect order and stillness reigned throughout the crowded church. Nothing occurred to mar the enjoyment and happiness of the occasion. The impression upon the minds of the people was deeply solemn. And the whole congregation felt grateful for such a paternal and encouraging visit from the overseer of our spiritual flock. No serious man could have witnessed the service of that night and not have felt that the Lord certainly was with this people, and the Christian community to which they belong. There are yet a large number in the congregation under very serious impressions, and I cannot but hope, as I earnestly pray, that the work may go on and prosper, until all my people shall be brought to feel its power.

* One was recorded in the list of last year.

COMMUNICANTS.

THE number of communicants reported at Easter, 1836, was 149.—Of these, 56 were here first received to the Lord's table,—and 93 were received from other churches. One of these, Mrs. Mary Smith, has died during the past year. There have been 79 added during the past year—25 from other churches, and 54 as new communicants—and the present number is 227.

The following twenty-five persons have been received as communicants from other churches within the past year.

Eliza Morris, from St. Andrew's church, Philada.
 Charles Jacobs, from 5th Presbyterian church, Phila.
 Oliver A. Shaw, from St. James's church, Philada.
 Mrs. Ann A. Shaw from do. do.
 Mrs. M. Sanford, from Hartford, Conn.
 Charlotte Dobell, from St. Andrew's, Philadelphia.
 Harriet M'Neal, from St. Andrew's, Wilmington.
 Mrs. Phoebe Jacobs, from Grace church, Philada.
 Mrs. Frances Henrietta Richards, from the Lutheran Church.

Amanda Mary Richards, from St. Paul's, Philada.
 Mrs. Mary M. Brinton, from St. James's, Philada.
 Samuel Hazlehurst, from St. Stephen's, Philada.
 Elizabeth M. Hazlehurst, from do. do.
 Aletta Hazlehurst, from do. do.
 Mrs. Rebecca L. Bringham, from St. John's, N. L.
 Mary Ann Mehl, from St. Paul's, Philada.
 Jacob Lex, from St. Andrew's, Philada.
 Mrs. Jacob Lex, from St. Andrew's, Philada.
 Mrs. Maria M'Ilvaine, from St. Andrew's, Philada.

Eliza C. Souder, from Christ church, Philada.
 Ann E. Wilmer, from St. Stephen's, Philada.
 Mary S. Cannell, from do. do.
 Mrs. Sarah Young, from St. John's, N. L.
 William Wadsworth, from St. Stephen's, Philada.
 Mrs. Anna M. Dawson.

The following fifty-four persons have been received as new communicants since the report of last year:

William Mackintosh,	Mrs. Harriet Coleman,
Mrs. Mary Mackintosh,	Anna Elizabeth Pritchett,
Mrs. W. E. M'Elwee,	Joseph S. Shaw,
Mrs. Anna E. Price,	Frances N. Hoope,
Walter Patton,	John Murray,
Jacob Leidy,	Mrs. Mary Hoope,
Mrs. Mary Engle,	Mary P. Winter,
Mrs. Margaret Smyth,	Jane Ann Galbraith,
Emily Stevenson,	Caroline Bonsall,
Emily Macpherson,	Mrs. Eliza Morton,
Mrs. Ella Birkhead,	Francis B. Stockton,
Margaret K. Birkhead,	Mrs. Mary M. Simmons,
Maria S. Birkhead,	Sarah Ann Morgan,
Mrs. Elizabeth Spence,	Samuel Potts,
Mrs. Ann Kirkpatrick,	Paul G. Oliver,
Maria L. Mitchell,	Anthony M'Garvey,
Ann Young,	John Anderson,
Ann Roche,	Eliza Shields,
James M'Garvey,	Mrs. Mary Wadsworth,
James M'Cabe,	Robert Casement,
John J. Reese,	Ann Fordham,
George B. Reese,	Jane Cassady,
Mrs. Margaret Reese,	Richard O'Donnell,

Mary Musgrave,	Hester Orr,
Mrs. Maria Newell,	Mrs. Harriet Henry,
Mrs. Mary M. Wallace,	Mrs. Elizabeth Northrup,
Mary Gillen,	Susan O'Donnell.

The religious interests and prospects of the congregation at the present time, are very encouraging. Many who have made no profession of religion, seem to be awakened to a conviction of its importance—and I look forward with confident expectation, under the gracious blessing of God, to a much larger increase of our spiritual communion at an early period. May God mercifully bestow his Spirit upon us, and bring into the fold of Jesus, the multitudes who are yet living without its blessings.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

I AM thankful again to see and to exhibit so encouraging a statement of this department of our concerns. Our schools continue to increase and flourish more and more. And the blessing of God has rested much upon them. Still, in the male department, we need help. Many more teachers than we have, are wanting to supply our present demand.

I present you here, with the

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

OF THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, PHILADELPHIA.

JANUARY 1st, 1837.

By the merciful providence of Almighty God, we have been brought to the close of another year's labor, and desire to be thankful for his goodness, in rendering our usual account of the work in which we have been engaged. During the whole of the past year, God has been pleased to smile upon our efforts. The life and health of all our teachers have been preserved.—Our affections, and desires, and prayers, we trust, are more and more interested in the duties we have undertaken. We have worked together in perfect harmony, and unity of spirit. And although we have not seen all the spiritual blessings conferred upon the children entrusted to us, which we should have desired, yet, we find them so much interested in our school, and so happy and cheerful in their attendance upon it, that we cannot but hope for the ultimate attainment of the important results which we desire, in God's blessing upon them, converting them truly to himself.

FEMALE SEWING SOCIETY.

This society meets in the Vestry room every Wednesday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, to make fancy and useful articles for sale, for the objects of Gospel Missions. They have been very successful in their exertions, and have contributed \$60 to the Greek mission—\$25 to Dr. Robertson's family in Syra, and \$80 to the mission to Africa,—making in all \$165. This is a most liberal and happy result, when we take into account the few ladies who have been engaged in the effort. I should be glad to see many more ladies who could easily contribute an afternoon's work in the week, unite with the few who are thus engaged, and strive to carry forward the interesting object to which their attention is turned.

Beside these efforts in the cause of religious benevolence, there have been several private contributions made in the congregation for the building of churches in this State and elsewhere, amounting to not less than \$500,—making in the whole, the amount of contributions for giving to others the privileges and blessings of the gospel,—\$2118 16.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

We have had peculiar reason to be thankful for the character and results of our religious services for the year past, as the previous parts of our report will show. On the Lord's day, there are always two services, beginning from Easter to the 21st of September, at 10 o'clock A. M. and at 3½ P. M. and from the 21st of September, to Easter, at 10½ A. M. and 3 P. M. On

the *last* Sunday of each month there is no public service in the afternoon,—the church is then opened at night. There is also a service in the morning of Christmas, Ash-Wednesday, and Good-Friday.

There is a lecture every Wednesday evening. The first Wednesday evening in each month is devoted to the subject of Gospel Missions, when a collection for this purpose is always made.

There is a prayer-meeting open for all who desire to attend it, on every Friday evening.

During the season of Lent, there is added a daily prayer-meeting at 5 o'clock P. M.

The Lord's Supper is administered on the *first* Sunday of every month from Whitsunday to Christmas—on Christmas-day, Quinquagesima-Sunday, Easter-day, and Whitsunday. On all these occasions, the morning prayer is read before breakfast, at the hour of which notice is given the previous Sunday; and the congregation is not dismissed during the communion service.

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I now close my third annual report. In looking forward to another year, we seem to have before us, every prospect of spiritual increase. Brethren, pray constantly for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon our people. Many are yet to be gathered into the fold of Christ, who are now wandering in sin. Much of the good effect which results from the labors of the pastor will depend upon the character and co-operation of professing Christians around him. Strive together with one heart for the faith of the gospel, and make it an important part of all your efforts and plans, that our church shall be built up as a holy and spiritual church, united to Christ, united in itself.

While life is continued to me, I hope its powers may be all devoted, to build you up in the faith and love of the gospel. I can have no greater joy than to see you accepting, and walking in, those blessed principles of truth, which from Christ, I preach to you, and by which you will be saved, if you hold them fast, as all your salvation and desire. May God abundantly bless you all, in all your varied relations in life, constantly
prays

Your affectionate Pastor,

STEPHEN H. TYNG.

Easter, 1837.

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PASTORAL REPORT

OF THE

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,

PHILADELPHIA,

PRESENTED TO THE CONGREGATION

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NOTICE.

THIS is the fifth of an annual series to be printed alike and presented to the congregation at Easter in every year. If they are preserved, each member of the congregation will have a complete history of the Church from its commencement. Any members of the congregation who have not received the previous reports, may obtain them, by applying to the sexton.

The present report is designed to close the first series of my pastoral reports, making one volume. If these reports are preserved and bound by those who have them, they will find them hereafter a valuable document.

The following named gentlemen compose the Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, elected on Easter-Monday, April 1, 1839.

LEWIS R. ASHHURST, } *Church Wardens.*
CASPAR MORRIS, }

WILLIAM MUSGRAVE,
JACOB LEX,
FREDERICK W. PORTER,
THOMAS S. TAYLOR,
JOSEPH WATSON,
GEORGE B. REESE,
SAMUEL HAZLEHURST,
CHARLES WILLIAMS,
ENOCH ROBBINS,
ABNER ELMES.

Leader of the Choir.

JOHN POOLE.

Organist.

CHARLES JARVIS.

Sexton.

JACOB LEIDY,

Jefferson street, West of Schuylkill Sixth street.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

On the first Sunday in April, I shall commence the sixth year of my actual ministry in this congregation, and I design to make the present report include the history of our enterprise for the five years which are past. These five years ministry close with this day, the last Sunday in March, 1839. The lot of ground upon which our Church is built, was purchased by the Vestry in October, 1833, when the Corporation was first formed, and the foundations of the building up to the surface of the ground were actually completed during that autumn; and I was, from the very commencement of the work, the appointed Rector of the Church, being elected as such at the first meeting of the Vestry; but it was not until the first of April, 1834, that I gave my time and attention wholly to the undertaking, and was supported by a salary derived from this source. From that time five years have now elapsed, and it is my wish to give a more extended account of the whole proceeding, and of the spirit with which it has been conducted.

The persons who entered upon this work, well understood what it would cost them, and they commenced the enterprise with a generous determination to complete it thoroughly. Their great object was the erection of an Episcopal Church in this important section of the city, which should exercise a wide and permanent influence in support of the great principles

of evangelical piety, for the benefit of the city and of the world abroad. They estimated the value of the end to be accomplished, and were willing to undergo the cost and difficulty by which it should be attained. They have pursued their determination with unrelaxing ardour and perseverance, and Almighty God has abundantly prospered and blessed them. The lot was expensive and valuable. It might have been so divided and managed, that an inferior portion might have been retained almost without cost. But this was not the spirit of those who had entered upon this work. The influence which they desired, and which they felt bound to exercise, required a building of a different description from that. The first effort which was made to obtain funds for this purpose, resulted in the subscription of \$12,000—by 25 persons. On this list were the first and abiding friends of this Church. From some of the same individuals, a subsequent subscription was made of \$3,400 dollars, by ten persons, for the completion of the exterior of the building. And on another occasion, to remove some of the claims which were held against the Church, \$10,900 was subscribed by 13 persons, for which they were ready to take that portion of the pews which were least likely to be saleable to others. These sums made in the whole \$26,300.

The first sale of pews was exceedingly limited. The annual income of the Church was not one-fourth of its needful expense. And there were repeated occasions of discouragement and great difficulty within the first three years of the effort. But the same spi-

rit remained—and I have never seen the occasion when the same generous and noble determination, did not mark the feelings and the efforts of the Vestry of this Church. Subsequently these generous exertions have relieved the pecuniary incumbrances to a very great extent; and it is long now, since every original bill against the building has been fully paid. To accomplish this, however, there have been required great and frequent efforts on the part of the founders of this enterprize. It has cost some of them much, indeed more than could have been reasonably expected or afforded. But they have never shrunk from the demand. There has been the most unbroken harmony in all their operations. No single occasion has arisen in the whole of these five years, for a difference in judgment, still less for a discord of feeling, among the members of the Vestry. All have displayed the same plan and the same spirit. The Vestry is not now composed of the same individuals as at the first. But every vacancy has been made by voluntary retirement, and that in no instance with a change of feeling; and every vacancy has been filled with entire unanimity.

There have been marked instances of great liberality among us. It would be wrong in me to speak of them personally. Their possessors and agents enjoy a consciousness which is far better than outward applause. These have often required great inconvenience. But how little will those who come after us, and enter into our labours, be able to understand the labour and care with which all this has been done.

There is one, to whom it is all known: and while others enjoy the fruits of their secret liberality and efforts, from Him, I trust, they will receive their reward.

I trust I may be permitted to say, that in the same spirit of willingness to spend and labour for so great a good, I entered upon the duties and responsibilities of this work. I was fully aware of all the exertion and anxiety which its accomplishment would require of me. But it opened to my mind a most important and effectual enterprise; and though against the advice and solicitations of many friends, I relinquished a charge in which every thing was permanent, and settled, and sufficient, to enter upon this great experiment. My great object was to rear an altar unto the Lord, which should be a benefit to thousands for years to come. And I came to the work without a single misgiving or doubt, as to the actual and final success. I cannot speak of monied cost, because though I have declined for the sake of my present charge, much higher pecuniary emolument, I have done it cheerfully, and perhaps as much in regard to my own comfort, as it would be right for me to consider. No: I have been followed here in every year, with the kindest generosity, the most respectful acceptance, and the most affectionate attentions, which any pastor could desire or conceive. My labours have been an unceasing reward. And this congregation has given me no opportunity to speak of sacrifices as made by me.

But the effort has cost me much anxiety and deep

solicitude. I have been from the beginning a partner in all the trials and cares which the management of the temporal concerns of the church has demanded; and I could have enough to say, if it were allowable, of the harassing, sleepless concern which the prosecution of this new enterprise has required. But all this has now well nigh passed. And supported as I have been from the beginning, not only by the high consciousness of God's presence and blessing, but also by the great success bestowed upon my pastoral labours, and the union, energy, and love, of those whom God has raised up to act with me in the vestry of this church, I shall have little to say of the pressure of a load of anxiety that has been now removed.

The effort has cost me much pastoral labour. This I anticipated, and of this the congregation have been aware. I have met this congregation in whole and in various parts, for the different purposes of united worship and instruction, at least an average of 282 occasions in each year, above 1400 times for the past five years, or nearly six times a week. On each of these occasions I have delivered a sermon or some other address. I have admitted 367 persons to the communion of this church at the Lord's Table. I have baptized 54 adults and 121 children. I have presented for confirmation 208 persons. I have officiated at 78 marriages, and attended 35 funerals. I have attempted to give such an amount of time and study to my preparations for the public services of the sanctuary, that they should not seem to have cost me no-

thing; and I have desired and endeavoured to fulfil to the utmost of my power, the important private duties of a pastor among the people. In the important department of our Sunday schools I have had under my charge 99 male and female teachers, and 1074 scholars, to whom I have devoted particular attention, visiting the schools habitually every Sunday, addressing the children regularly every month, and meeting quarterly, monthly, and for a part of the time, weekly with the teachers, for the various purposes for which these meetings were designed. How much care and labour have been here bestowed the congregation have themselves observed. There has passed through my hands, collected in the congregation, for the various purposes of religious benevolence, above \$11,000, which has been distributed to the objects for which it was designated.

In all this statement the congregation may see a general outline of my pastoral labours for the past five years. This is but an encouragement for time to come, and I desire to go forward in the strength of the Lord, nothing wearied, but far more desirous to press on successfully in my work. With unalterable affection I would finish my course and my ministry in this place, and here lay my mortal remains where I have deposited those of other dear ones, among a people who have been always to me only affectionate and kind. I trust I may be allowed by them, and favoured by the Lord, to cherish and indulge this expectation.

With this statement of the past I come to refer to the present circumstances of our church. We have still some pecuniary responsibilities lying upon us which I much desire to see removed. I have always cherished the hope that in five years we should see our church completely paid for, with the exception of the ground rent which is perpetually irredeemable; and in this hope I have laboured on contentedly and cheerfully. But the five years have passed, and this result is not attained. So great has been the annual deficiency of the income until the year past, that it has required much of the receipts from the sale of pews to meet it. There remains now due by the church a mortgage for \$10,000, which must be paid during the present year, and about \$5000 of other claims which can be easily settled if the mortgage can be removed. For the payment of this the vestry appeal to the congregation, and have appointed a monthly collection for the ensuing year, which I trust will meet with a cheerful and liberal response. I consider the object so pressing and important, that I wish to turn the whole attention of the congregation to this point in the collection of funds, that by an united and vigorous effort we may be able to remove entirely this pressing and important incumbrance. When this is done our church will be completely established, and we shall be able to pursue our course without anxiety or fear.

I proceed to give a statement of our present condition, and the past years' work under the different heads which follow:—

CONGREGATION.

We have 160 pews occupied in the church, 129 on the lower floor, 31 in the gallery. Of the pews 132 belong to individuals, and 72 are still the property of the church. The number of families is about one eighth more than the number of occupied pews.

MARRIAGES.

I have officiated at *fourteen* marriages during the past year.

BAPTISMS.

I have administered the sacrament of baptism to *fifty-two* persons, *nineteen* adults, and *thirty-three* children.

CONFIRMATIONS.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop Onderdonk administered the rite of Confirmation in this Church on Sunday evening, March 17, 1839, when the following *forty-five* persons were admitted to that ordinance—making 208 persons who have thus made a profession of religion in this Church within the last five years:

Enoch Robbins,
Isaac Smith Loyd,
William P. Cresson,
John A. Place,
Allin Robinett,
James Young,
John Ellis,
John H. Black,
Mrs. Catharine Stewart,
Mrs. Caroline Miller,
Mary Hart,
Sarah Ann D. Crosby,
Mrs. Janette Black,
Mrs. Jane Jones,
Ann Eliza Nekervis,

Martha M. Nekervis,
Mrs. Matilda L. Robinett,
Margaret S. Maxwell,
Mrs. Rebecca Young,
Anne Montgomery,
Anna Elizabeth Tyng,
Mrs. Eliza Robbins,
Mrs. Joanna Hempsted,
Mary Ann Almond,
Mrs. Elizabeth S. Loyd,
Mrs. Matilda M'Ilvaine,
Mrs. Mary P. Fisher,
Jane McKeague,
Emma P. Rand,
Mrs. Sarah Smith,

Eliza Ellet, from Alton, Illinois.
 Lydia Ann Gilbert, from St. Paul's, Philada.
 Mrs. Anna B. Stockton, from St. Peter's, Philada.
 Sarah Eastwick, from St. Paul's, Philadelphia.
 Eliza Allee, from St. Andrew's, Wilmington,
 Del.

Jane Freel, from Ireland.
 Catharine Freel, Jr. from do.
 Catharine Larue, from St. Paul's, Philada.
 Mary White, from St. Andrew's, Philada.
 Catharine White, from do. do.
 Mrs. Mary Matilda Mitchell, from St. Paul's, Phil'd.
 Mary Frances Mitchell, do. do.
 Mary Goddard, from St. Andrew's, Phil'd.
 William McIntyre, from Ireland.
 Thomas Moore, from do.
 Mrs. Eliza Moore, from do.

The following fifty persons have been received by me
 as new communicants in the Episcopal Church during
 the last year:—

Jane R. McClellan,	Mrs. Ann Robbins,
Frederick Fairthorne,	Mrs. Margaret Ellis,
William Spence,	Leonard Kimball,
Mrs. Margaret Spence,	Mrs. Sarah Y. Kimball,
Mrs. Ann Catharine Smith,	Mary Ann McGarvey,
Thomas Metcalf,	Mrs. Hannah Hight,
Mrs. Agnes Whitesides,	Eliza Ann Randall,
Samuel Francis Hall,	Anna B. Caldwell,
Mrs. Frances Ann Pollard,	James M'Cutcheon.
Robert Ellis,	John H. Bassett,
Mannin Seaton,	Mrs. Mary Swain,
James Latimer,	Mrs. Sarah Ann Crosby,
Pollard E. Birkhead,	Mary Morrison,
Enoch Robbins,	Mrs. Eliza Y. McAllister,
Josephine L. Patullo,	Frances W. McAllister,
Mrs. Ann M. Springer,	Mary Anna Frost,
Eliza English,	Rebecca J. Elbert,
Mrs. Mary Duane Williams,	Mary Ann McElroy,
Mrs. Eleanora W. Wilson,	Sarah Goodfellow,

Williamine Smith,
 Margaret Montgomery,
 Howard S. Elmes,
 Mrs. Angelica Godman,
 Mrs. Mary H. Taylor,
 Eleanor A. Burk,

Mary Elizabeth Steer,
 Cornelia E. Smith,
 Margaret Crawford,
 Ann Barr,
 Mrs. Eliza W. Jones,
 Catharine O'Donnell,

FUNERALS.

There have been seven funerals attended by me at the church during the past year. Six of these were of infant children. One, of Miss Sarah W. Wadsworth an adult. I have also attended two funerals at Laurel Hill Cemetery, one of an infant, and the other of William W. Fisher, Esq.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The third annual report of our Sunday schools, which I here subjoin, presents an encouraging aspect of this department of our exertions. In this effort, God has been pleased especially to bless us; I know no Sunday school more flourishing, or under better organization, than this is in all its departments. The teachers have every reason for gratitude at the result of their labours, and the congregation have reason to be grateful that God has so prospered the efforts they have made. Circumstances which have occurred since the anniversary, are still more encouraging, and the next report is likely to be more satisfactory and animating than even the present. I hope the congregation will be stirred up to engage more extensively in this work of Sunday school teaching. We still need help, particularly in the male school.

Sarah W. Jones,
 Mrs. Ann Thomas,
 Mrs. Gertrude O. Phillips,
 Mrs. Margaret Patullo,
 Mrs. Susan Wrigley,
 Mrs. Ruth Warren,
 Mrs. Maria Morris,
 Mrs. Susan V. Cresson,

Mrs. Elizabeth V. Place,
 Sarah McCullough,
 Mary R. McElwee,
 Margaret Patchell,
 Elizabeth McClure,
 Mrs. Mary Prince,
 Martha Ann Jackson.

COMMUNICANTS.

I reported at Easter, 1838, *two hundred and ninety-seven* communicants, as then belonging to this Church. Of these, *one hundred and sixty* had here been first received at the Lord's Table, and *one hundred and thirty-seven* had been united to us as communicants from other churches.

There have been added *sixty-four* to the number of our communicants during the past year, *eighteen* from other Episcopal churches, and *forty-five* received here at the Lord's Table as new communicants in the Episcopal Church.

The following eighteen persons have been received as communicants coming from other churches:—

Anna Armstrong, from Chester county, Pa.
 George Finch, from Trinity Church, Newark, N. J.
 Mrs. Hannah Grasby, from St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia.
 Elizabeth E. Grasby, from do.
 Mary Wallace, from St. Paul's, Phila.
 David L. Hempsted, from St. George's, New York.
 Alphonso Shubert, from St. Paul's, Phila.
 Mrs. Caroline Shubert, from do. do.
 Mrs. Mary R. Lee, from St. Thomas's, New York.
 George W. Lord, from Grace Church, Phila.
 Mrs. Ellen W. Lord, from do. do.
 Eliza Wilkinson, from St. John's, N. L.
 Sarah R. Prince, from St. Andrew's, Phila.

Mrs. Elizabeth O. Hickey, from Ireland.
 Mrs. Rebecca Ustick, from St. Andrew's, Wilmington, Delaware.
 Mrs. Rebecca A. Abbot, from Norwich, Conn.
 Mrs. L. A. Barrows, from St. Stephen's, Phila.
 Mrs. Sophia A. Cotton, from England.

The following *forty-five* persons have been received as new members at the Lord's Table.

Elizabeth Bolton,	Mary Ann Almond,
Mrs. Joanna Hempsted,	Mrs. Matilda M'Ilvaine,
Isaac S. Loyd,	Mrs. Mary P. Fisher,
Mrs. Elizabeth S. Loyd,	Sarah W. Jones,
Mrs. Sarah Smith,	Mrs. Margaret Patullo,
Mrs. Ann Thomas,	Mrs. Susan Wrigley,
Mrs. Gertrude O. Phillips,	Mrs. Ruth Warren,
Mrs. Maria Morris,	Mary Hart,
Mrs. Catharine Stewart,	John H. Black,
Sarah Ann D. Crosby,	Mrs. Janette Black,
Ann Eliza Nekervis,	William P. Cresson,
Allin Robinett,	Mrs. Susan V. Cresson,
Mrs. Matilda L. Robinett,	Sarah McCullough,
James Young,	John Ellis,
Mrs. Rebecca Young,	Mrs. Mary Prince,
Rebecca Smyth,	Martha Ann Jackson,
Jane Smyth,	Mrs. Ann C. Oakford,
Mrs. Margaret Bell,	Mrs. Elizabeth Burk,
Mrs. Elizabeth M'Allister,	Mrs. Jane Jones,
Mrs. Caroline Miller,	Jane McKeague,
Mrs. Sarah A. Montgomery,	John A. Place,
Mary Catharine Sproggell,	Mrs. Elizabeth V. Place.
Enoch Robbins,	

During the five years past, as previously stated, I have admitted 367 to the communion of this church. But by the death of some, and the removal of others the actual present number is much less than this. I therefore here subjoin an accurate list of our present communicants, erasing from the list kept on record by me, *four* who have deceased,

and *forty-two* who have removed, or withdrawn themselves from our number, leaving 321 as the present number. I place this list in alphabetical order for convenience, and I have divided it into portions which are numbered, for a reason which shall be specified below :—

1.

Ashhurst, Lewis R.
Ashhurst, Mrs. L. R.
Ashley, Charlotte M.
Ashley, Sarah E.
Allen, Mary,
Anderson, John,
Armstrong, Anna,
Almond, Mary Ann,
Abbot, Mrs. Rebecca A.
Bringham, Mrs. Rebecca L.
Birkhead, Margaret K.
Birkhead, Maria S.
Bassitt, John H.
Brooke, Catharine L.
Bankson, Lloyd,
Bankson, Mrs. L.
Britton, Mrs. Margaret,
Bellingham, Mrs. Elizabeth,
Bache, Benjamin, F., M. D.
Brooke, Ellen M.
Bell, John,
Bell, Mrs. J.
Bell, Francis,
Bell, Mrs. F.
Bicknell, Robert T.
Bicknell, Mrs. R. T.
Brinton, Mrs. Mary M.
Barrington, Ann,
Barr, Ann,
Bolton, Elizabeth,
Black, John H.
Black, Mrs. J. H.

Buchanan, Mrs. Hannah P.
Burk, Mrs. Elizabeth,
Bispham, Mrs. Aletta,
Barrows, Mrs. L. A.
Corry, Ann,
Corry, Margaret,
Cowpland, Joshua,
Cowpland, Mrs. J.
Costellow Ellen,
Coleman, Mrs. Harriet,
Cannell, Mary S.
Cassady, Jane,
Caldwell, Anna, B.
Crosby, Mrs. Sarah Ann,
Crawford, Margaret,
Crosby, Sarah Ann D.
Cresson, William P.
Cresson, Mrs. W. P.
Conner, Robert,
Casement, Robert,
Cotton, Mrs. Sophia A.
Campbell, Mrs. Susan,
Duncan, Mrs. Ann C.
Duane, William,
Duane, Mrs. W.
Dillard, Mrs. Matilda,
Dobell, Charlotte,
Dawson, Mrs. Anna M.

2.

Davis, Susan,
Elmes, Abner,
Elmes, Mrs. A.

Elmes, Caroline K.
Elmes, Howard S.
Elbert, Mrs. Mary Catharine,
Elbert, William T.
Elbert, Rebecca J.
Ellis, Robert,
Ellis, Mrs. R.
Ellis, John,
Eckford, Mrs. Amanda M.
Eastwick, Sarah,
English, Eliza,
Fairthorne, Frederick,
Freel, Mrs. Catharine,
Freel, Catharine J.
Freel, Jane,
Fordham, Ann,
Frost, Mary Anna,
Fisher, Mrs. Mary P.
Gill, Mrs. Grace,
Gill, Mary Elizabeth,
Gill, Josiah Hewes,
Gill, Bennington, Jr.
Green, Edward,
Garland, James,
Garland, Mrs. J.
Gerraty, Mrs. Mary,
Goddard, John L.
Goddard, Mary,
Gibson, Mrs. S. G.
Galbraith, Mrs. Jane Ann,
Gillen, Mary,
Gilbert, Lydia Ann,
Godman, Mrs. Angelica,
Grasby, Mrs. Hannah,
Grasby, Elizabeth Ella,
Good, Mrs. Juliana,
Goodfellow, Sarah,
Hazlehurst, Samuel,
Hazlehurst, Mrs. S.
Hazlehurst, Samuel, Jr.
Hazlehurst, Elizabeth M.
Holtzbecher, Eliza,
Hosea, Mrs. Ann,
Hulme, James C.
Hulme, Martha C.
Hockley, John,
Hockley, Mrs. J.
Hockley, Mrs. Mary,
Hause, Mrs. Rachel G.
Hale, Mrs. Hannah E.
Haven, Mary H.
Haven, Margaret M.
Hoope, Mrs. Mary,
Hoope, Frances N.
Henry, Mrs. Harriet,
Hall, Samuel F.
Hight, Mrs. Hannah,
Hart, Mary,
Hickey, Mrs. Elizabeth O.
Hickey, Mrs. Cornelia,
Jackson, Mrs. Caroline M.
Jones, Mrs. Ann,
Johnston, Mrs. Ann,
Johnson, Robert,
Johnson, Mrs. R.
Jacobs, Charles,
Jacobs, Mrs. C.
Jones, Mrs. Caroline,
Jones, Mrs. Eliza W.
Jones, Mrs. Jane,
Jones, Sarah W.
Jackson, Martha Ann,
Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Ann,

3.

Kimball, Leonard,
 Kimball, Mrs. L.
 Locke, Zebulon,
 Locke, Mrs. Z.
 Locke, Mrs. Sarah,
 Locke, Deborah V.
 Latimer, James,
 Latimer, Mrs. J.
 Leaf, Edmund,
 Lewis, Lewis, Jr.
 Leidy, Jacob,
 Lex, Jacob,
 Loyd, Isaac S.
 Loyd, Mrs. I. S.
 Lee, Mrs. Mary R.
 Lord, George W.
 Lord, Mrs. G. W.
 Larue, Catharine,
 Morris, Caspar, M. D.
 Morris, Mrs. C.
 Musgrave, William,
 Musgrave, Mrs. W.
 Musgrave, Mary,
 Morgan, Ann,
 Messenger, E. J. P.
 Montgomery, Sarah A.
 Maxwell, William,
 Maxwell, Mrs. W.
 Maxwell, Anna H.
 Maxwell, Hester,
 Maxwell, Matilda,
 Metcalf, Thomas,
 Metcalf, Mrs. T.
 Mingle, Mary A.
 Montgomery, John,
 Montgomery, Mrs. J.
 McNichol, Ann,
 Miller, Matthew T.

Miller, Mrs. M. T.
 Murray, John,
 Murray, Mrs. J.
 McGarvey, John,
 McGarvey, James,
 McGarvey, Anthony,

4.

Montgomery, George W.
 Montgomery, Mrs. G. W.
 Morris, Eliza,
 Morris, Mrs. Maria,
 McElwee, Mrs. W. E.
 McNeal, Harriet,
 Mehl, Mary Ann,
 McIlvaine, Mrs. Maria,
 McPherson, Emily,
 Morton, Mrs. Eliza,
 Morgan, Sarah Ann,
 Mitchell, Maria L.
 Moore, Eliza,
 McCabe, James,
 McGarvey, Mary Ann,
 McCutcheon, James,
 Mitchell, Mrs. Maria M.
 McIntyre, William,
 Moore, Thomas,
 Morrison, Mary,
 McAllister, Mrs. Eliza Y.
 McAllister, Francis W.
 McElroy, Mary Ann,
 Montgomery, Margaret,
 McKeague, Jane,
 McAllister, Mrs. Elizabeth,
 McIlvaine, Mrs. Matilda,
 McCullough, Sarah,
 Newton, Ruth,

Nekervis, Mrs. Jane C.
 Nekervis, Ann Eliza,
 Newell, Mrs. Maria,
 Northrup, Mrs. Elizabeth,
 Oliver, Paul G.
 Oliver, Mrs. P. G.
 Orr, Elizabeth,
 Orr, Mary,
 Orr, Hester,
 Orr, Ann,
 Oats, Mrs. Frances,
 O'Donnell, Richard,
 O'Donnell, Mrs. R.
 Oakford, Mrs. Ann C.
 Pierce, Mrs. Catharine,
 Porter, Mrs. Juliana,
 Pritchett, Josephine,
 Patchell, Mrs. Elizabeth,
 Porter, Frederick W.
 Porter, Mrs. F. W.
 Pritchett, Anna Elizabeth,
 Price, Mrs. Anna E.
 Potts, Samuel,
 Potts, Mrs. S.
 Pollard, Mrs. Frances Ann,
 Patullo, Mrs. Margaret,
 Patullo, Josephine L.
 Place, John A.
 Place, Mrs. J. A.
 Phillips, Mrs. Gertrude O.
 Prince, Mrs. Mary,
 Prince, Sarah R.

5.

Russel, Mrs. Lucy,
 Rand, Caroline P.
 Rand, Ellen S.

Richards, Mrs. Frances H.
 Roche, Ann,
 Reese, John J.
 Reese, George B.
 Reese, Mrs. G. B.
 Robbins, Enoch,
 Robbins, Mrs. E.
 Randall, Eliza Ann,
 Robbins, Mrs. Eliza,
 Robinett, Allin,
 Robinett, Mrs. A.
 Stevenson, Mrs. Mary,
 Stevenson, Emily,
 Secrets, Louisa,
 Seed, Adam,
 Seed, Mrs. A.
 St. Hill, John,
 Smith, William P.
 Smith, Mrs. W. P.
 Shaw, Joseph S.
 Shaw, Oliver A.
 Shaw, Mrs. O. A.
 Sanford, Mrs.
 Souder, Eliza C.
 Smyth, Mrs. Margaret,
 Stockton, Francis B.
 Stockton, Mrs. F. B.
 Simmons, Mrs. Mary M.
 Spence, Mrs. Elizabeth,
 Shields, Eliza,
 Spence, William,
 Spence, Mrs. Margaret,
 Smith, Mrs. Ann C.
 Swain, Mrs. Mary,
 Steer, Mary Elizabeth,
 Smith, Cornelia Elizabeth,
 Smith, Williamine,
 Simes, Mrs. Eleanor A.

Sprogeil, Mary Catharine,
 Smith, Mrs. Sarah,
 Stewart, Mrs. Catharine,
 Smyth, Rebecca,
 Smyth, Jane,
 Shubert, Alphonso,
 Shubert, Mrs. A.
 Taylor, Thomas S.
 Taylor, Mrs. T. S.
 Tyng, Mrs. Susan W.
 Town, Isabella C.
 Town, Jane,
 Thatcher, Mrs. Mable,
 Taylor, Mrs. Mary H.
 Thomas, Mrs. Ann,
 Ustick, Mrs. Rebecca,
 Walker, Marianne,
 Walker, Mrs. Frances C.

6.

Watson, Joseph,
 Watson, Mrs. J.
 Wilmer, John R.
 Wells, Mrs. Abigail,
 Wilmer, Ann E.
 Wadsworth, William,
 Wadsworth, Mrs. W.
 Whitesides, Mrs. Agnes,
 White, Mary,
 White, Catharine,
 Williams, Mrs. Mary D.
 Wilson, Mrs. Eleanora W.
 Wallace, Mary,
 Wrigley, Mrs. Susan,
 Warren, Mrs. Ruth,
 Wilkinson, Eliza,
 Yarnall, Thomas C.
 Young, Mrs. Sarah,
 Young, Ann,
 Young James,
 Young, Mrs. J.

The divisions which I have made in the above list, are designed to obviate the tendency to confusion, upon occasions of administering the communion. The chancel will conveniently accommodate about sixty persons. I have therefore alphabetically divided the number of communicants into bodies of sixty each, that if the system shall be adopted of coming to the Lord's table in this order, and the communicants will please to observe it, the whole tendency to confusion, may be readily avoided. Those who are added to the communion during the ensuing year, will join themselves to No. 6 until the alphabetical list is arranged for another year. In making the above corrected list, it is possible there may be some omissions or inaccuracies after all my care to avoid them. If any such

are discovered, I particularly request that they may be pointed out to me.

FUNERALS.

I have attended ten funerals within the past year; of these six were children, and four adults. Three of these, viz., Edwin Tyler, Mary F. Mitchell, Louisa E. Barrows, were members of this church.

CONCLUSION.

In referring to the religious services of the past year, I might well repeat the whole conclusion of the previous years report. It has been a year of continued blessings. Our times and occasions of worship have been uninterrupted. Our lent services were more numerously attended than ever before. Our Association services in the month of March, were even more interesting than in the previous year. And I have every reason to bless God for his abounding goodness to us. By his help, our varied arrangements will go on for the ensuing year as usual; and it is my earnest prayer, that he will not leave us without many precious witnesses, as it passes, of his power to save. I commend you all affectionately to him, and pray for his unceasing blessings upon you.

Your affectionate Pastor and friend,

STEPHEN H. TYNG.

April 1, 1839.

SIXTH
PASTORAL REPORT
OF THE
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JOSEPH WATSON,		
GEORGE B. REESE,		
SAMUEL HAZLEHURST,		
CHARLES WILLIAMS,		
ENOCH ROBBINS,		
ABNER ELMES,		
JOSHUA COWPLAND.		

Leader of the Choir.

JOHN POOLE.

Organist.

CHARLES JARVIS.

Sexton.

JACOB LEIDY,

Arrison's Court, back of Colonnade Row.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

I offer my sixth annual report to the congregation committed to my charge, under circumstances of trial. For several months past the failure of my health has cut me off from my regular active labour among my people. It has pleased the Lord, whose servant and property I am, to lay me aside as a broken vessel, and I yield with gratitude and submission to his perfect will. And though by his goodness I am rapidly recovering, I am still unable to fulfil the amount of duty which I desire. The state of the congregation has not been altogether unaffected perhaps by this deprivation. For though God has mercifully supplied me for the time with an excellent assistant, in the Rev. Mr. McCoy, who has been appointed to the office by the vestry, I find far less encouragement to exhibit to you, in regard to the spiritual state of the Church, than we have had in previous years. I hope Christians have been growing in grace, and maturing and improving in character. But there have been comparatively very few added to the number of Christian professors among us, during the past year. In this, I must bow with silence to the Lord's will. But is not the absence of spiritual prosperity in the Church, owing in a good degree, to ourselves? Must we not acknowledge ourselves to be deficient in prayer and effort, and therefore to a great degree responsible before God, for this result? Let us seek

for a new spirit to be given both to the Pastor and the people, in reference to this. The congregation will find in looking at the present report, reason for this; they will also see that in many points this is more limited than the previous ones, because I have not had strength or time to do more in preparation for it, than in this very limited way. I proceed to furnish the facts and statements which make up the report of the last year.

MARRIAGES.

I have officiated at *twenty-five* marriages, during the year past.

BAPTISMS.

I have administered the ordinance of baptism to *seventy-two* persons, *eleven* adults, and *sixty-one* infants.

CONFIRMATION.

The R^d. Rev. Bishop Onderdonk administered the rite of Confirmation on Sunday evening, April 12, to the following *twenty-seven* persons, making in addition to the 208 reported previously, 235 persons who have thus made a profession of religion in this church, since its commencement in 1834.

Mrs. Deidamia Morton,
Mrs. Elizabeth R. Tutt,
Anna Victoria Groves,
Mary F. B. Whitesides,
Mrs. Elizabeth Leidy,
Mrs. Ann L. Phillips,
Sarah Jane Pearce,

Anna P. Ford,
Rebecca Humphreys,
Charles Rockland Thomson,
Mrs. Catharine Thomson,
Sarah Ann Burk,
Eliza Robinson,
Mary Spencer,

Elias Brown,
Mrs. Susannah C. Brown,
Ann Catharine Brown,
Richard Wells,
Mary B. H. Padelford,
John Tanguy,
Mrs. Cynthia Jackson,
Lorenzo Robinson,
Rebecca J. Mitchell,
Mrs. Adelaide Barnes,
Henry A. Russell,
Sarah Robinson,
Llewellyn S. Haskell.

COMMUNICANTS.

I reported at Easter, 1839, *three hundred and twenty-one* persons as then communicants in this Church. Since that period, *three* of that number have been removed by death,—Robert T. Bicknell, James C. Hulme, and Mrs. Charles Jacobs,—and *twenty-nine* have removed from this city or withdrawn themselves from us,—leaving two hundred and eighty-nine of that number now connected with our Church. To these have been added *fifty-seven* new members—*twenty-two* from other churches, and *thirty-five* as new members of the communion of this church,—making our whole present number 346.

The following *twenty-two* persons have been added to our communion from other churches.

Catharine McBraid, from Ireland.
Mrs. Mary Ann Warren, from Grace Church, Phila.
Margaret Jane Graves, St. John's, N. L.
Ann Huston, St. Andrew's, Philad.
Mrs. Eleanor Little, All Saints, Phila.
Esther Faa, St. Peter's, Phila.
Mary V. Carles, Fredericktown, Md.
Mary Ann Wheeler, England.
Eunice Anderson, Evangelists, New York.
Hester A. Cannell, Alexandria, D. C.

William Thaw, St. Paul's, Phila.
Mrs. Mary Ann Thaw, do. do.
Harriet Alice Thaw, do. do.
James Kirkpatrick, Ireland.
Mrs. Anna R. Frost, St. Philip's, Charleston.
Richard McGlathery, St. Paul's, Phila.
Mrs. Elizabeth Bowen, England.
Mary Wharton, St. Stephen's, Phila.
Benj. S. Janney, St. John's, N. L.
Mrs. B. S. Janney, do. do.
Alfred Vail, New York,
Mrs. Jane Elizabeth Vail, New York.

The following *thirty-five* persons have been received as new members of the communion on their own profession.

Emma P. Rand,	Charles R. Thomson,
Rebecca J. Mitchell,	Mrs. Catharine Thomson,
Mary Hart,	Sarah Ann Burk,
Anna Elizabeth Tyng,	Eliza Robinson,
Margaret Patchell,	Sarah Robinson,
Robert McConnell,	Mary Spencer,
Bridget Boyle,	Elias Brown,
Anna Helberson,	Mrs. Susannah C. Brown,
Mrs. Deidamia Morton,	Ann C. Brown,
Mrs. Elizabeth R. Tutt,	Richard Wells,
Anna Victoria Groves,	Mary B. H. Padelford,
Mary F. B. Whitesides,	John Tanguy,
Mrs. Elizabeth Leidy,	Mrs. Cynthia Jackson,
Mrs. Ann L. Phillips,	Lorenzo Robinson,
Sarah Jane Pearce,	Mrs. Adelaide Barnes,
Anna P. Ford,	Llewellyn S. Haskell,
Rebecca Humphreys,	Mrs. Eliza A. Connolly.
Mrs. Margaret Brown,	

I gave in my last year's report a complete list of the communicants of this church. I do not think it necessary to repeat this every year. And shall therefore defer a repetition of it until some future time.

FUNERALS.

There have been *ten* interments at the Church, within the past year, *four* adults, and *six* infants.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

My confinement in sickness at the time when the annual report of the schools has been always prepared and presented, rendered it impossible for me to arrange the *fifth* annual report,—and prevents my giving it in my customary detail at this time. In looking over the reports of the Superintendents and Teachers for the year 1839, I find the circumstances of the schools did not vary much from the preceding year. Their number continue about the same, and in the same divisions, being between 475 and 500 scholars, and about 48 teachers. The condition of the schools has been in general, quite encouraging, and *eleven* of the number who made a profession of religion in the year 1839, were from the number of our scholars. The services of the anniversary were attended to by the Rev. Mr. McCoy,—the Rector being present, but unable from sickness to participate in the interesting duties of the occasion. We presented to each of the children, as usual, a book, as a token of our affection. But the receipts from our annual collections, are not now adequate to meet this expense. Our last annual collection in January, 1839, was but \$234, and we find ourselves, after every effort to make our expenses as little as possible, still in debt beyond our means of payment. The interest of our children in the missionary collection continues. They have contributed during the past year \$156 06.

We subjoin the Treasurer's account for the year 1839, and with this short report of our proceedings, are obliged to close our statement for the past year to January 1, 1840.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Z. Locke, Treasurer, in account with the Sunday-school Association of the Church of the Epiphany.

1839.	Dr.	
Jan. 1—	To am't collected in the church,	\$194 22
Jan. 7—	" cash rec'd of Mr. Robbins,	5 00
Jan. 7—	" " per Rev. Dr. Tyng,	17 35
Jan. 27—	" " per L. R. Ashhurst,	5 50
Jan. 27—	" " in missionary collection,	2 00
Jan. 28—	" " of C. Taylor, per Rev.	
	Dr. Tyng,	5 00
Mar. 8—	" " per Rev. Dr. Tyng,	5 00
		<u>\$234 07</u>

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Jan. 28.—	By Cash paid Wm. Stavelly bill of printing,	- - \$13 05
Jan. 28.—	" " paid American S. S. Union on ac't of bill for 1838,	- - 200 00
		<u>\$213 05</u>
	Balance in hand of Treasurer,	21 02

Philadelphia, Dec. 31, 1839.

BENEVOLENT OPERATIONS.

I stated in my last year's report, that in consequence of the embarrassed condition of our own Church, the Westry had resolved to ask for the efforts of the congregation to raise a sufficient fund in monthly collections to meet its wants. This has been done, though not to the extent which is necessary. We have had a collection on the second Sunday of every month and have raised by these collections above *six thousand* dollars, an average of more than five hundred dollars a month. But to do this, we have dropped all efforts for any other purpose, and have confined our exertions to this single object. Our monthly missionary collections in the lecture room have been much lessened by the suspension of many of the lectures in consequence of my own sickness. They amount to \$154 73, and have been given to the cause of Foreign Missions.

The Female Sewing Society have raised \$200 for the same purpose.

The scholars of the Sunday-school have contributed \$156 06 which has been given to the same cause.

Some of these last, in connection with some other of their young friends have also raised by a sale of their own work, six dollars and seventy-five cents, which they have placed in my hands for the same purpose. These sums united, make \$515 54, which I have transmitted to the Treasurer of the Foreign Committee in New York.

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

DORCAS SOCIETY OF THE CHURCH OF THE
EPIPHANY. MARCH, 1840.

The Society resumed its labours on the 5th of November last, and since that time there has been 20 meetings. Several changes have occurred during the year; 13 having withdrawn from sickness, absence and other causes, and ten others having been added to the Society, making the present number 34. The average attendance has been 18.

The receipts of the Society have been \$113 12. The whole of this sum has been expended for materials, as will be seen by the Treasurer's report. There have been made 420 garments, 70 last year's stock, and 55 received as donations, making 545.

The distributions have been as follows, 22 jackets, 22 pants, 31 shirts, 9 cloaks, 18 bonnets and hoods, 27 calico dresses for women, 81 flannels, 6 shawls, 5 sheets and pillow cases, 26 stockings, 27 aprons, 21 children's frock, and 212 other garments, amounting in all to 514.

These have been bestowed with care, and called forth grateful thanks from very many who had no resources to supply for themselves such indispensable comforts. The Sunday Schools especially have acknowledged their obligations to the Society for the means of enabling many of the children to attend school in the inclement season, who without their aid would have been entirely deprived of this privilege.

Dorcas Society of Church of the Epiphany, in account with Mrs. Morris, 1839—40.

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By cash donations, - - - -	\$64 54
" " from annual subscribers, - - -	45 50
" balance from last year, - - - -	1 12
" cash for garment sold, - - - -	1 00
" balance of collection, per Mr. Leidy, -	1 00
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	\$113 12

Dr.

To cash expended for materials, - - -	\$113 12
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The following donations have been received in materials :—

One piece of calico, and half piece of muslin, 1 piece of muslin, 1 do. muslin, (purple) ; 12 yards red flannel, 1 piece of Canton flannel, 10 coverlets, 2 pair blankets, 2 pieces calico, 1 piece Canton flannel, 1 piece shirting, 7 pair stockings, 5 pair infant socks, 5 frocks, 5 under garments, 1 pair mittens, 1 flannel shirt, 5 flannel garments, 12 pair children's stockings, 1 piece Kentucky jean, 8 yards calico and 8 yards Canton flannel, 2 pieces muslin, 2 pieces calico, 1 piece of chintz, 1 do. Canton flannel, one doz. sewing cotton, 10 yards bombazett.

In addition to the foregoing efforts, I have distributed among the congregation during the year past, about *fifteen hundred* of the bound volumes of the American Tract Society, at an expense of about *six hundred* dollars. These are arranged in sets of *fifteen* volumes, called the Evangelical Family Library, and cost \$6 50, a set. They are a very valuable col-

lection of religious works, published in an uniform and handsome manner, at little more than the worth of the binding. It is my earnest wish that every family in the church may be supplied with a copy. They can be obtained by application to the Sexton. I know no equal provision which can be made for the religious instruction and improvement of the families of the church. It is my wish also, that every family should subscribe for the Episcopal Recorder, at \$2 50, a year. This paper, prepared under my immediate supervision, I can recommend as containing a large amount of important instruction on various and interesting topics of religion. I refer to this particularly, because it will be the vehicle of several communications from me to the congregation, during my absence this summer. The Sexton will attend to furnishing it to any who desire it. The office is No. 12 Pear street.

In conclusion, I commend myself anew to your affectionate remembrance and prayers. If the Lord shall please to restore me to you in sufficient health, to labour again for your good, I shall esteem it a high privilege. May his abounding blessings rest upon you all. Your affectionate Pastor.

STEPHEN H. TYNG.

APRIL, 20, 1840.

SEVENTH
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ZEBULON LOCKE.	

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Sexton,

JACOB LEIDY.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

By the gracious providence of God, I am permitted to address the beloved people committed to me on another anniversary. His gracious hand has held me up during the past year, and enabled me to pass through my regular course of labour with a far greater measure of health and strength than I could have anticipated. His blessing has also rested upon us as a people in a large measure. Amidst the many temporal embarrassments and causes for anxiety around us he has given us many instances of his converting power in our midst. We have had much reason in this respect to praise him, though we have been chastened too with many sorrows. His providence has removed from among us some very valuable lives, and we are left to mourn over their absence from us, and the loss of their counsels, and prayers, and example from our midst, with especial sorrow. Still we sorrow not as those who have no hope. And we praise God for the good examples of all those his servants who have gone before us, to their rest. The affairs of our church are in an unusually prosperous condition. Our congregation is larger than it has ever been, and more of the seats in the church are now occupied than ever before. I have every reason to suppose the people united and

harmonious in their assembling together, and give thanks to God for his kindness thus abundantly bestowed upon me. I shall present a short statement of my pastoral acts, so far as they can come under the eye of the congregation, under the usual divisions.

MARRIAGES.

I have officiated at *eleven* marriages during the past year.

BAPTISMS.

I have administered the sacrament of baptism to *thirteen* adults, and to *fifty* infants, making *sixty-three* in all.

CONFIRMATION.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop Onderdonk administered the rite of Confirmation on Sunday evening, April 4, to the following *forty-three* persons, making in all *two hundred and eighty* who have been confirmed in this church from its commencement.

Walter K. Halstead,	Elizabeth Ferguson,
Mary Martin,	James Love,
Charles Jarvis,	Louisa Martha Taylor,
Mary Ann Jarvis,	Francis Wells,
Henry Olmsted,	Caroline Anna Rogers,
Martha Olmsted,	Jane Clark Nekervis,
Mary Ann Miles,	Rachel Jaquett Bryant,
Sarah Lloyd Smith,	Mary Elizabeth Russell,

Elizabeth Gilliss,	Julia Grant Prince,
Samuel L. Tanguy,	Rebecca H. Brown,
Abraham Hancker,	William Nekervis,
Harrison Bailey,	Lydia N. Safford,
James Thomas Allen,	Anna M. H. Hindman,
Letitia Lawson,	Mary Dilworth,
Eleanor Godman,	George W. Halstead,
Margaret Reilly,	Martha Drinker,
Eliza Graves,	Helen Maria Colton,
Dudley Atkins Tyng,	Eliza Ann Kirkpatrick,
Joseph Kay Eyre,	Sally Adams Gibson,
George Smith Hassan,	Richard B. Osborne,
Hannah Wharton King,	Elizabeth L. Gilbert.
Marion H. Rand,	

COMMUNICANTS.

At Easter, 1830, there were *three hundred and forty-six* communicants reported as on my list. Of this number *three* have been removed by death since that period, viz., Mrs. Sarah Gibson, Mrs. Catharine Cowpland, and Joseph Watson, Esq. And *forty-three* have removed from us to other churches, leaving *three hundred* of that number still in connection with our church. To them have been added during the year past *sixty-nine* new members; *twenty* were from other churches, making our present number three hundred and sixty-nine.

In order to vary a little the form of my report, and to give additional information, I give you here a

list of our present communicants, arranged in the order of the date of their union with us.

COMMUNICANTS.

First year, from Aug. 1834 to Easter 1835.

Lewis R. Ashhurst,	Mrs. Sarah M. Oliver,
Mrs. Mary Ashhurst,	Isabella C. Town,
Caspar Morris, M. D.	Mrs. Juliana Porter,
Mrs. Ann C. Morris,	Mrs. Hannah P. Buchanan,
William Musgrave,	Mrs. Elizabeth B. Hazle-
Mrs. Eleanor B. Musgrave,	hurst,
Thomas S. Taylor,	Mrs. Juliana Good,
Mrs. Mary M. Taylor,	Sarah E. Ashley,
Zebulon Locke,	Marianne Walker,
Mrs. Harriet Locke,	Mrs. Jane Metcalf,
Mrs. Caroline M. Jackson,	Ruth Newton,
Mrs. Grace Gill,	Mrs. Anna C. Duncan,
Mary Elizabeth Gill,	Catharine L. Brooke,
Charlotte M. Ashley,	Mary A. Mingle,
Mrs. Ann Jones,	James Garland,
Ann Morgan,	Mrs. Aleann Garland,
Erasmus J. P. Messinger,	John Montgomery,
Abner Elmes,	Mrs. Elizabeth Montgo-
Mrs. Maria Elmes,	mery,
Caroline K. Elmes,	Lloyd Bankson,
Mrs. Lucy Russell,	Mrs. Salome W. Bankson,
Mrs. Mary Stevenson,	Mrs. Mary Gerraty,
Mrs. Catharine Pierce,	Mrs. Harriet S. Watson,
Mrs. Susan W. Tyng,	Mrs. Louisa Duane,

Eliza Holtzbecher,	Mrs. Sophia Latimer,	
Ann McNicholl,	Louisa Secrets,	
Mrs. Elizabeth Belling-	Mrs. Elizabeth Patchell,	
ham,	Joshua Cowpland,	
Caroline P. Rand,	Frederick W. Porter,	
Mrs. Ann Hosea,	Mrs. Sarah C. Porter,	
Jane Town,	Martha C. Hulme,	59.

Second year, Easter 1835 to Easter 1836.

John Hockley,	Mrs. Hannah Hale,	
Mrs. Catharine Hockley,	Ann Barrington,	
Mrs. Mary Hockley,	Mary H. Haven,	
Mrs. Ann Johnston,	Margaret M. Haven,	
Elizabeth Orr,	Thomas C. Yarnall,	
Ellen M. Brooke,	Robert Johnson,	
Matthew T. Miller,	Mrs. Frances Johnson,	
Adam Seed,	William Duane,	
Mrs. Eliza Seed,	Lewis Lewis,	
Mrs. Marinda A. Bicknell,	Mary Allen,	
Ellen S. Rand,	Mrs. Abigail Wells,	
Samuel Hazlehurst, Jr.	Mrs. Matilda Dillard,	
William T. Elbert,	Mary Orr,	
Mrs. Mary Ann Murray,	Mrs. Jane C. Nekervis,	
Robert Connor,	William P. Smith,	
Edmund Leaf,	Mrs. Anna Maria Smith,	
John McGarvey,	George W. Montgomery,	34.

Third year, from Easter 1836 to Easter 1837.

Mrs. Harriet Coleman,	Charles Jacobs,
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Mrs. Williamina E. Mc-	Mrs. Elizabeth Spence,
Elwee,	Samuel Potts,
Joseph S. Shaw,	Ann E. Wilmer,
Mrs. Anna E. Price,	Mary S. Cannell,
Frances N. Hoope,	Paul G. Oliver,
Charlotte Dobell,	Mrs. Ann Kirkpatrick,
Harriet McNeal,	Maria L. Mitchell,
Mrs. Frances H. Richards,	Anthony McGarvey,
Mrs. Amanda M. Eckford,	Mrs. Sarah Young,
John Murray,	Ann Young,
Mrs. Mary M. Brinton,	John Anderson,
Samuel Hazlehurst,	Ann Roche,
Elizabeth B. Hazlehurst,	Eliza Shields,
Mrs. Aletta Bispham,	James McGarvey,
Jacob Leidy,	William Wadsworth,
Mrs. Rebecca L. Bring-	Mrs. Mary Wadsworth,
hurst,	Robert Casement,
Mary Ann Mehl,	John J. Reese,
Mrs. Mary Hoope,	George B. Reese,
Mrs. Maria McIlvaine,	Mrs. Margaret Reese,
Mrs. Margaret Smyth,	Richard O'Donnell,
Jane Ann Galbraith,	Mrs. Anna M. Dawson,
Mrs. Caroline Jones,	Mary Musgrave,
Emily McPherson,	Hester Orr,
Mrs. Eliza Morton,	Mrs. Maria Newell,
Francis B. Stockton,	Mrs. Harriet Henry,
Mrs. Mary M. Simmons,	Mrs. Elizabeth Northrup,
Mrs. Ann Kirkpatrick,	54.

Fourth year, Easter 1837 to Easter 1838.

Mrs. Mary C. Elbert,	James Latimer,
Frederick Fairthorne,	William McIntyre,
William Spence,	Thomas Moore,
Mrs. Margaret Spence,	Enoch Robbins,
Susan Davis,	Mary Swain,
Thomas Metcalf,	Mary Morrison,
Mrs. Frances Ann Pollard,	Mrs. Eliza Y. McAllister,
Mrs. Ann Robbins,	Josephine L. Patullo,
Robert Ellis,	Mrs. Mary Anna Haskell,
Mrs. Margaret Ellis,	Rebecca J. Elbert,
Leonard Kimball,	Eliza English,
Mrs. Sarah Y. Kimball,	Mary Ann McElroy,
Lydia Ann Gilbert,	Mrs. Mary D. Williams,
Mary Ann McGarvey,	Sarah Goodfellow,
Mrs. Anna B. Stockton,	Mary Elizabeth Steer,
Sarah Eastwick,	Cornelia Elizabeth Smith,
Mrs. Hannah Hight,	Williamine Smith,
Eliza Ann Randall,	Margaret Montgomery,
Anna B. Caldwell,	Margaret Crawford,
James McCutcheon,	Howard S. Elmes,
Jane Freel,	Eliza Moore,
Catharine Larue,	Ann Barr,
Mary White,	Mrs. Angelica Godman,
Catharine White,	Mrs. Catharine O'Donnell,
Mrs. Maria M. Mitchell,	Mr. Eleanor A. Simes,
Mary Goddard,	

Fifth year, Easter 1838 to Easter 1839.

Anna Armstrong,	Mrs. Elizabeth McAllister,
Sophia A. Cotton,	

51.

Mrs. Caroline Miller,	Mrs. Susan V. Cresson,
Mrs. Sarah Ann Montgomery,	Allin Robinett,
Elizabeth E. Grasby,	Mrs. Matilda L. Robinett,
Mary C. Sprogell,	Sarah McCullough,
Mary Wallace,	James Young,
Isaac S. Loyd,	Mrs. Rebecca Young,
Mrs. Elizabeth S. Loyd,	John Ellis,
Mrs. Matilda McIlvaine,	Mrs. Mary Prince,
Mrs. Mary P. Fisher,	Martha Ann Jackson,
Ann Orr,	Jane Smyth,
Mrs. Sarah Smith,	Rebecca Smyth,
Mrs. Ann Thomas,	Mrs. Ann C. Oakford,
Mrs. Gertrude O. Phillips,	Mrs. Margaret Bell,
Mrs. Margaret Patullo,	Alphonso Shubert,
Mrs. Susan Wrigley,	Mrs. Caroline Shubert,
Mrs. Ruth Warren,	Mrs. Mary R. Lee,
Mrs. Maria Morris,	George W. Lord,
Mrs. Catharine Stewart,	Mrs. Ellen W. Lord,
Mary Hart,	Sarah R. Prince,
John H. Black,	Mrs. Rebecca Ustick,
Mrs. Janette Black,	Mrs. Rebecca A. Abbott,
Ann Eliza Nekervis,	Mrs. Elizabeth Burk,
William P. Cresson,	Mrs. Cornelia Hickey,
	Mrs. L. A. Burrows,

55.

Sixth year, Easter 1839 to Easter 1840.

Emma P. Rand,	Catharine McBraid,
Mrs. Rebecca J. Smith,	Robert McConnell,
Anna Elizabeth Tyng,	Bridget Boyle,

Mrs. Mary Ann Warren, Richard Wells,
 Ann Huston, John Tanguy,
 Margaret Jane Evans, Mrs. Cynthia Jackson,
 Mrs. Deidamia Morton, Lorenzo Robinson,
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 Anna V. Groves, Llewellyn S. Haskell,
 Mrs. Elizabeth Leidy, Mrs. Eliza A. Connolly,
 Mrs. Ann L. Phillips, Mrs. Eleanor Little,
 Sarah Jane Pierce, Esther Faa,
 Mrs. Anna P. Ford, Richard McGlathery
 Rebecca Humphreys, Mary V. Carless,
 Mrs. Margaret Brown, Mary Ann Wheeler,
 Charles R. Thomson, Eunice Anderson,
 Mrs. Catharine Thomson, William Thaw,
 Sarah Ann Burk, Mrs. Mary Ann Thaw,
 Eliza Robinson, Harriet A. Thaw,
 Sarah Robinson, James Kirkpatrick,
 Mary Spencer, Mrs. Anna R. Frost,
 Elias Brown, Mrs. Elizabeth Bowen,
 Mrs. Susannah C. Brown, Mary Wharton,
 Mary B. H. Padelford, Alfred Vail,
 Ann C. Brown, Mrs. Jane E. Vail, 50.

Seventh year, Easter 1840 to Easter 1841.

Jane Denmark, *Milton Smith,*
Mrs. Ann Hollingsworth, Mrs. Sarah L. Smith,
 Henry Olmsted, Eleanor Godman,
 Mrs. Martha Olmsted, Marion H. Rand,
 Walter Kerr Halstead, Mrs. Hannah W. King,
Mrs. Eleanor Barrington, Elizabeth Ferguson,
Eliza R. Eastburn, Joseph K. Eyre,

Mary Ann Miles, *George W. Brown,*
 Abraham Hancker, Mrs. Rebecca M. Brown,
Mrs. Ann Hancker, Mrs. Anna M. H. Hindman,
 Harrison Bailey, Mary Elizabeth Russell,
 Sarah McClure, Mrs. Mary Dilworth,
 Mrs. Mary S. Smith, Helen M. Colton,
 Mrs. Mary Martin, Sally A. Gibson,
Mrs. Mary Wilson, George W. Halstead,
 Mrs. Esther Nelson, George Robinson,
 E. Matilda L. Elwyn, Mrs. Jane Robinson,
 James Love, *Margaret Weldom,*
 James T. Allen, Mary M'Keague,
 William Nekervis, Sarah M'Leary,
 Samuel L. Tanguy, Eliza Graves,
 Charles Jarvis, Mrs. Lydia N. Safford,
 Mrs. Mary Ann Jarvis, William E. Bowen,
 Mary Seed, *Helen Hughes,*
Elizabeth Drinker, *William F. Bryant,*
Martha Drinker, Elizabeth Gilliss,
 Sarah Huston, Mary Natt,
 William Furey, Elizabeth D. Natt,
 John McCooch, *Rev. Wm. Bryant,*
 George S. Hassan, *Mrs. Rachel Bryant,*
James McLaranan, *Mrs. Ann M'Nabb,*
Mrs. Maria McLaranan, *Henrietta A. Long,*
 Letitia Lawson, *Mrs. Ann A. Shaw.*
 Margaret Reilly, Thomas Furey. 69.

The names in italics are of communicants received from other churches.

FUNERALS.

There have been *nine* funerals in the congregation within the past year, *six* adults and *three* children.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

I present to the congregation here the *sixth* annual report of our Sunday-schools, bringing the history of these interesting operations up to January 1, 1841. They will find our schools to be more prosperous and encouraging than ever before, and furnishing the utmost satisfaction to those who partake in the management of them. I would urge upon the congregation still more earnestly than ever the importance of keeping up our proper number of teachers. To do this we shall need additional teachers both in the male and female department at the opening of our schools on the first of September. I trust we shall not be left destitute. We are still more in need at this time, from having set up a branch school this spring, which is taught in the rooms over the Philadelphia engine house in Schuylkill Sixth street, near Chesnut. We have thus a larger demand made upon our exertions than ever before.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

Of the Sunday-schools of the Church of the Epiphany.

JANUARY 1, 1841.

In laying before the Sunday-school Association the annual report which the fourth article of the Con-

stitution requires, the pastor feels that he has much to say of the goodness of God to us in this connection. At the close of the last year, he was confined in sickness, and was entirely unable to make any report of the proceedings of that year. Now his own health has been restored, and he has been permitted once more to labour with you in this delightful field of duty, and he desires to record his gratitude for the privilege which has been thus extended to him, and to express the confidence which he feels that your own estimation of the divine goodness in this gracious dispensation accords with his.

The past year has been a year of comforts and blessings. Our labours have been unusually agreeable and happy, and our schools have exhibited through the whole year a flourishing and promising appearance. At the close of no previous year have we had so much reason for encouragement and continued assiduity in our important duties. And in surveying our field and time of labour, we ought not to be insensible to the peculiar calls which our circumstances make upon us for a recognition of the presence and goodness of God with us in our enterprise.

Number of Scholars.—Our numbers are larger than we have ever had before, and we could hardly accommodate to advantage a greater number than are now under our charge. We have in the Male Department—

	Teachers.	Scholars.
Infant School,	1	53
With teacher of F. I. S.		28
Bible Class,	1	15
Sunday School,	22	134
	<hr/> 24	<hr/> 230

Female Department—

	Teachers.	Scholars.
Infant School,	1	82
Bible Class,	1	17
Sunday School,	24	171
	<hr/> 26	<hr/> 270

Making a total of fifty Teachers and five hundred Scholars. This is a larger number than we have ever had. And while the schools have increased in numbers, they have essentially improved in character and deportment also. This it may be found is in some degree owing to our having fewer of absolutely poor children among us in proportion to the whole number than we have previously had, which is in some degree a circumstance to be regretted, inasmuch as they need the most, the benefits which come from these provisions of instruction. Our schools appear now to be composed more generally of children belonging to the congregation than when our effort first commenced, and the children are in a far greater proportion small and young. In this we

have a decided advantage, having that time put into our hands, in which the strongest and most permanent impressions are made upon the mind. The male infant school remains about the same in size, having no accommodation for more. But the female infant school has been very much enlarged, containing now 110 children, of whom it may be justly said, that they are a pattern to all, in the order and propriety of their deportment both in school and in the church. The Bible classes are in a flourishing condition, though not as large as they have sometimes previously been. We have much reason for gratification, that they are still favoured with the services of the same excellent teachers, who have had the charge of them in previous years. There has not been as much manifest interest in religious things among our scholars as indicated in the number who have been led to make a public profession of it, as in some previous years. Six members of the schools have been received as communicants in the church within the year. This indeed is a small number in comparison with our whole body. It would be exceedingly gratifying, and an answer to many prayers, should God grant us in this relation an increase of numbers in our outward communion. Let us earnestly seek for the blessing more and more continually. But let us not limit our calculations of benefit here. The seed we sow may be far longer in coming to its maturity than this, and yet may ripen

and bring forth fruit notwithstanding. May we all have grace to sow in faith, and commit our way and our wants to the covenant care of God who faileth not.

Teachers.—We have changed our teachers in some instances during the past year, having lost *ten* and received *eleven* new ones, eight of whom are from the Bible classes. Some of those who have left us were very valuable teachers—the most of whom have removed from the city. Our present number is made up of persons who give us much satisfaction. We have never had so steady and permanent a body of teachers before. All of them but two are communicants in our church. To this requisition as a rule we are bound to adhere, though there may sometimes occur cases in which it is well to make an exception of an individual. Of our present number of teachers, *six* have been added as communicants to our church within the year past. Happy is it when those who have been blessed in finding salvation for themselves, are made anxious to impart also the blessings of this salvation to others. Our changes of teachers have always been by removals. Though we have had perhaps more than two hundred teachers within the last six years, we have never lost one by death, nor do we know of the death of any one who has been a teacher with us. In this respect, God has been peculiarly gracious to us, and

his goodness ought not to be forgotten by us. Indeed we have suffered but little by death, even among our numerous scholars. Some instances of this we have to notice in our present report:—

Death of Scholars.—We have lost four of our scholars by death during the past year. Of some of them we have a very dear and abiding recollection. Of one in the infant class, the teacher says:

“One of the little books was carried by the teacher to a little boy who was absent, through sickness, on the day of distribution. She found him in a dreadful state of suffering with the scarlet fever, but his dear little eyes brightened up, his whole countenance beamed with pleasure at the sight of his book. He appeared to forget for a time his severe pain, in the sweet thought, though he was absent in body, he had a place in the memory of his pastor and teacher. This dear child, after suffering very severely for six weeks, was called home by that Saviour who, when he was on earth, gathered such little ones in his arms. He was five years old, and never did a child exhibit such extreme patience for so long a period of time, although his throat and head were severely painful, he never murmured nor complained, but answered all questions put by his mother and teacher very patiently. In fine, his whole conduct showed, that the Lord had watered some of the precious seed that he allows his followers to sow in his name.”

Of another in the infant class the teacher also says :

“E*** C***, a little boy in the eighth year of his age, died on the 26th of Oct., after an illness of about three weeks. During his illness his mind was disordered the greater part of the time. I saw him but twice, although I called frequently. I was able to gather very little that was satisfactory in regard to his thoughts and feelings in reference to death. He had never been a scholar who gave me much encouragement. His attendance was very irregular, so much so that I have sometimes felt almost disposed to strike his name from the roll. I have reason to think that Sunday-school instruction had not made much impression upon his mind.”

Another was a little girl, Marcellina Patullo, whose death her teacher thus notices :

“Since the last report was given, and within the last few weeks, this little company has had its ranks thinned by the stern hand of death ; but although the teacher and friends of the beloved little one who has been taken from us, may and must sorrow, yet surely it should not be as those who have no hope, for it is the privilege of the Christian mourner to pierce the dark valley of the shadow of death, and to believe that those who sleep in Jesus God shall bring with them. That this dear child has indeed been made a partaker of the inheritance of the saints in light, we humbly trust, through the

mercy of that Redeemer who when upon earth, suffered little children to come unto him, and forbade them not. The teacher also embraces this opportunity to remark, that during the year that she has been in this class, there has never arisen the slightest occasion to reprove her for the smallest delinquency, and her docility, gentleness and intelligence could not be surpassed ; her private character also stands equally high, and we have reason to believe that she was no stranger to the duties of the closet—in short, we cannot but hope that she is now enfolded in the arms of that blessed Saviour, of whom she loved to hear when upon earth.”

This little child was one of uncommon loveliness. About eight years of age, her deportment was so uniformly mild and attractive, that she won the affection of all who knew her. She was remarkable for her excellence of conduct at home in all her relations, and exhibited a sweetness of character eminently attractive. Her mind was evidently under the sanctifying influences of the Holy Spirit. In her habits of prayer she was an example. Though so young, she habitually read her Bible, and prayed before she would leave her chamber in the morning for breakfast, and was often found by her family in some secret corner engaged in prayer. Her heart was thus holding communion with God while in health, and the effects of it were seen in all her conduct. Her illness was very short. She was at church on Sun-

day in perfect health, and died on Wednesday. Her disease was so violent that she was mostly insensible, and though she appeared to suffer much, her sufferings were but short.

The fourth instance of death was William Douglass Kimball, a youth of thirteen years of age. He had been a member of our school from the commencement, and was one of our best and most grateful boys. His attention was uniform, and his disposition amiable. His conduct was always that of a pious boy. And the affection which he displayed for his pastor and teacher can never be forgotten. He was taken sick early in the summer, and was confined to his bed for about fifteen weeks in great suffering, wasting away under the power of disease, until he became a mere skeleton in appearance for weeks before he was relieved in death. The visits of his pastor were of the most grateful character to himself, and made a blessing to him. For the first few weeks of his sickness, he seemed in the spirit of youth, to think chiefly of returning health, and to have but little idea of the probability of his death, though there was a remarkably serious spirit manifest in him from the beginning. He had the benefit of the counsel and prayers of Christian parents at his bed-side continually, and the religious conversation and prayers of his physician, who was made the instrument of much comfort to his soul, though he was not permitted to restore health to his body. At the

first visit of his pastor, he asked him to write a prayer suitable for him, for his mind wandered so much, that he could not pray. This request was complied with, and he used the prayer habitually. About six weeks before his death, it was evident he could not recover, and he was informed of it. God made the conversation a peculiar blessing. Though he burst into tears at the first communication, his mind immediately rested in peace, and he declared himself to be "so happy." From that time, his mind seemed always fixed on things above, and he grew rapidly in a maturity for the rest of God. He sought a private conversation with his physician, in which he had communicated to him without reserve, the reality of his danger, information which he received with perfect composure, resulting as he said, from the conversation with his pastor the day previous. He conversed with his brothers and his attendants, in regard to their souls, in the most affectionate and earnest manner. He comforted his parents with a peculiar sweetness, and would allow them to manifest no grief at his approaching departure. He took great delight in the visits of his Pastor and Christian friends and gave utterance to many sentiments which indicated the presence of that spiritual mind, which is life and peace. He lingered throughout much suffering, but with remarkable intelligence, and a spirit that seemed to partake more of heaven than earth. And at last, his end was perfect peace. He was a precious boy, and

has left a bright example to those who knew him. He loved the Sunday School very much, dating his religious impressions much to the efforts of one, whom he called his "first teacher," one who has left our school since that period. As a proof of his attachment, to the school, he left the chief portion of a little sum of pocket money which he had laid up, amounting to between \$2 and \$3 for the Sunday Schools. The incident is small, but it is an index of affection, the most encouraging to us, and none of us who knew this dear boy, will ever forget his countenance of beauty and his spirit of love.

MISSIONARY COLLECTIONS.—The interest of the children in this collection does not seem to diminish. Though no particular efforts are made to excite them upon the subject, they still continue to contribute what may be considered under all circumstances a large sum, the collections in the male schools, amount to \$65 for the year past, and in the female to \$79 88—making \$144 88, part of which was included in \$156 06 sent to the Greek Schools, and \$50 has been appropriated by the children to two destitute Sunday Schools for the purchase of a library,—viz: \$30 to a school in Richmond, Indiana, and \$20 to a school in Huron, Ohio. We have been able to have but one exhibition of the magic lantern during the past year, in consequence of the Rector's sickness, at this a collection was made as usual, for missions. We rejoice to see an interest in the work of

benevolence maintained and encouraged among our children, knowing well, its beneficial influence upon the whole character, for it is more blessed to give, than it is to receive.

Our monthly prayer meeting has been attended during the last few months with more interest than before; we have rejoiced to meet there, many of the parents of our children, and some of the children also. It would be a happy circumstance for our schools, could this occasion be regarded among us with an uniform attention and interest. We know that God heareth prayer, and we cannot fail of a blessing if we seek habitually, the influence of God upon our labours.

Our year was happily closed with the sixth anniversary which was celebrated on the 27th December. We considered it the most agreeable and happy occasion of the kind, that we have ever enjoyed; our schools were full, and larger than ever before, and the attention and order by which they were distinguished, was most interesting to all. The attending congregation was larger than usual, and we believe were universally gratified with the aspect of our labours which was presented to them. The children all received their annual gift of a book from their Pastor's hands, and were much delighted with the occasion as usual. We were pleased to have all our classes, from the Bible classes down to the Infant schools, so fully assembled. The Rector preached to them on the character and history of Absalom.

Our sixth annual sermon for the schools was delivered by the Rev. Mr. McCoy, during the sickness of our own Pastor, on the first Sunday in January, when the collection was \$185 26. The Treasurer's account will show its disposition, and the present state of our finances.

In commencing another year, we feel much encouraged in our work by all that has passed. And ask only that we may have grace to fulfil our important duties to the divine glory, and find acceptance for them in our glorious Saviour.

JANUARY 1, 1841.

Sunday School of the Church of the Epiphany, in account with

Z. LOCKE, Treas.

1840.

Jan. 1st,	By balance from last year,	\$21 02
6,	" Collection in the church,	163 37
" "	" Premium on \$68 of specie,	4 59
8,	" Cash received of Mrs. Wells \$5, (in gold,) Premium 30 cts,	5 30
12,	" " Per L. R. Ashhurst,	1 00
" "	" " Per Rev. Dr. Tyng,	5 00
May 9,	" " Of Dr. Pennock, per Dr. Morris,	5 00
June 1,	" " Miss Dilworth, per Mr. Leidy,	1 00
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		\$206 28
		21 02
		<hr/>
		\$185 26

1840.

Jan. 7th,	To cash paid Messrs. M'Allister & Co, in full,	36 00
" "	" Am. S. S. Union, in full for bill of 1838,	38 70
" "	" On account of bill for 1839,	114 28
		<hr/>
		\$188 98
		<hr/>
		\$17 30

Philadelphia, Dec. 31, 1840.

BENEVOLENT OPERATIONS.

The monthly collections which have been made for the payment of the mortgage on the church, are finished, according to agreement, with the month of March, 1841. They have amounted to \$8920,—of which \$6160 was contributed the first year, and \$2760 the second. Our present purpose is to turn the same monthly collections to the promotion of the various objects of religious benevolence abroad. The vestry have appointed Mr. Zebulon Locke, the present Treasurer for this purpose, and ordered him to keep the amounts collected subject to the written orders of the Rector. For the present year, the following arrangement of the collections has been made:

April and October—Foreign Missions.

May and November—Domestic Missions.

June, September, December, and March—General Objects.

July—Bible Society.

August—Prayer Book and Tract Society.

January—Sunday Schools of the Church of the Epiphany.

February—Sunday School cause in general.

I cannot but hope the collections will be liberal, and honorable to us as a people.

The Missionary collections for the past year have been \$260 10.

The Sewing Society has contributed \$225 00.

Of these sums, \$150 00 have been given to Domestic Missions, and the remainder to Foreign Missions. The Sewing Society, as usual, contribute their funds specifically for Africa. This society meets in the Vestry-room, on the afternoon of every Wednesday, at two o'clock, to sew for this object.

The following is the third annual report of the Dorcas Society.

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

Of the Dorcas Society of the Church of the Epiphany,—1840—1841.

Our past season has been an exceedingly agreeable one. We have had, since Nov. 4th, 1840, 22 meetings. These have been usually well attended. A few have withdrawn their names; but several have been added. Forty-two members are now enrolled. And here it would be well to dissipate a mistake with some individuals, of regarding the subscription of one dollar annually, as entitling them to *all* the privileges of "*sewing members*." We must indeed acknowledge our delicacy in urging this distinction, but there is an *expediency* in the hint, as many have

been ready to censure the society for its strict, but necessary proceedings.

The Treasurer has received as donations, \$81 00 in cash, \$57 50 in subscriptions: the whole amount, \$138 50. We are likewise indebted to several benevolent individuals for the following donations in materials:—2 pair of blankets, 7 pieces of Canton flannel, 3 of muslin, 6 of Calico, 1 of sattinet, 1 of plaid worsted, 1 of Kentucky jeans, 2 pair of shoes, 26 pair of stockings, 12 shawls, and sundry garments, 33.

The expenses incurred have been \$134 99, leaving in the hands of the Treasurer a balance of \$3 51. 573 articles have been distributed: among these, 23 pair pantaloons, 13 roundabouts, 21 boys' suits, and 96 dresses must be included.

Though many cases of suffering and indigence have appeared, where means were inadequate to relieve, still the blessings of Providence have enabled the society to meet many demands. We are aware that there are in the congregation some who are seeking for a door of usefulness to be opened. The society freely and affectionately invites all such, to a participation of its comparatively limited enjoyments.

MARY CANNLL, *Secretary.*

Wednesday, March 31, 1841.

I have thus brought my report for this seventh year of my ministry among you, to a close. I desire to remind you, and to be reminded myself, of the many privileges and blessings which are bestowed upon us; and to urge you to seek more earnestly the things which are above, the kingdom which cannot be removed. Let us have grace, as it is freely offered, whereby we may serve God acceptably, with reverence and godly fear.

Most affectionately,

Your Pastor and friend,

STEPHEN H. TYNG.

April 12, 1841.

NINTH

PASTORAL REPORT

OF THE

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,

PHILADELPHIA,

PRESENTED TO THE CONGREGATION

AT EASTER, APRIL 16, 1843,

BY

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NOTICE.

THIS is the ninth of an annual series to be printed alike and presented to the congregation at Easter in every year. If they are preserved, each member of the congregation will have a complete history of the Church from its commencement. Any members of the congregation who have not received the previous reports, may obtain them by applying to the sexton.

The following named gentlemen compose the Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, elected on Easter-Monday, April 17, 1843.

LEWIS R. ASHHURST, }
CASPAR MORRIS, } *Church Wardens.*
WILLIAM MUSGRAVE,
FREDERICK W. PORTER,
THOMAS S. TAYLOR,
GEORGE B. REESE,
SAMUEL HAZLEHURST,
CHARLES WILLIAMS,
ZEBULON LOCKE,
ALLIN ROBINETT,
MATTHEW T. MILLER,
LEONARD KIMBALL.

Organist and leader of the Choir,

CHARLES JARVIS.

Sexton,

JACOB LEIDY.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

By the gracious Providence of God, I am permitted to offer to my beloved flock, my ninth annual report. I have to speak, in much gratitude, of the divine blessing in restoring my health and my ability to labour in the cause of our glorified Lord. In his goodness he protected and preserved me in my passages over the ocean, surrounded me with very peculiar comforts and mercies in my sojourn abroad, and brought me back with a degree of health which I had hardly dared to anticipate. I have now been able to finish my usual winter's work with more ease and comfort than for several years preceding, and have had many very precious evidences of the Lord's presence and grace in the midst of the congregation committed to me. During the year past our congregation has much increased, in consequence of the more extensive accommodations provided in the church, and we may look upon the erection of the galleries as having been proved to be a most desirable improvement. The attendance upon our worship is very large. I trust the eagerness with which the Gospel is heard among us is an evidence that it will be made the power of God unto salvation unto many who are still without an ex-

perience of its saving power. The large numbers who have professed their faith in our Lord and Saviour among us, and who are enrolled as members of our communion, furnishes a blessed testimony of the goodness and power of God, which encourages our hope in reference to the many who are not yet of this number. Let it be our united prayer that God would bring his great salvation to us more abundantly, and give us all to experience his power and grace.

During five months of the past year I was absent from my Church, and during much of that time also, the Church was closed. The Rev. Mr. Van Pelt, who supplied my place, and who now officiates as my assistant, has laid me under personal obligations, for his assiduous and kind attentions to my people during this period. Since my return in September last, my official duties have been, in addition to those performed in my absence, as I now proceed to state.

MARRIAGES.

I have officiated at *three* marriages, Mr. Van Pelt at *one*—making *four*.

BAPTISMS.

I have baptized *ten* adults, and there have been baptized *fifty-nine* infants. Total *sixty-nine*.

CONFIRMATION.

The Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk administered the rite of Confirmation, on Sunday evening, April 2d, to the following *sixty-one* persons, making *four hundred and six* who have thus made a profession of religion in this Church during the past nine years.

William Gibson,
Joseph A. Clay,
Richard B. Tschudy,
John Brown,
Valentine McKnight,
James Kirkpatrick,
Elias H. Brown,
Rowland H. Brown,
John Kirkpatrick,
Thomas Stuart,
Alexander G. Tyng,
Mary Woodward,
Martha Mahaffey,
Ann Hutchinson,
Jane McCandless,
Lydia Phillips,
Ellen M. Mayberry,
Harriot A. Mitchell,
Martha Blakiston,
Janet Goddard,
Annie Coleman,

Edward Olmstead,
William Hunter,
William Silcox,
Nicholas K. Wade,
William Montgomery,
James S. Kirkpatrick,
Leonard McGarvey,
William J. Brown,
George Pierce,
Clermont E. Thaw,
Everina Sharp,
Catharine Goudy,
Ann Hunter,
Martha McGarvey,
Elizabeth Tower,
Margaret Charlton,
Margaret C. Mitchell,
Sarah Blakiston,
Mary Ann Christy,
Elizabeth D. Pettit,
Elizabeth Christie,

Susan Christie,
Sarah M. Stoevers,
Catherine T. Butler,
Eliza Euena McAllister,
Elizabeth Blacknell,
Annie Haile,
Alice E. Colquhoun,
Catharine H. Bowie,
Emily Palmer,
Lydia Phillips, Jr.

Lois Jane Wade,
Elizabeth Butler,
Eleanor Tschudy,
Sarah Y. McElwee,
Rebecca Kirkpatrick,
Ellen Harper,
Mary Ashhurst McEuen,
Elizabeth Y. Campion,
Louisa C. Jackson.

COMMUNICANTS.

The number of Communicants reported last year, was *four hundred and forty-seven*. Of these *six* have been removed by death, and *eight* have removed to other churches,—leaving of that number *four hundred and thirty-three*. There have been added *one hundred and fourteen* making our present number *five hundred and forty-seven*.

COMMUNICANTS.

First year, from Aug. 1834 to Easter 1835.

Lewis R. Ashhurst,
Mrs. Mary Ashhurst,
Caspar Morris, M. D.
Mrs. Ann C. Morris,
William Musgrave,

Mrs. Eleanor B. Musgrave,
Thomas S. Taylor,
Mrs. Mary M. Taylor,
Zebulon Locke,
Mrs. Harriet Locke,

Mrs. Caroline M. Jackson, Mrs. Lucy Russell,
 Mrs. Grace Gill, Mrs. Mary Stevenson,
 Mrs. Ann Hosea, Mrs. Catharine Pierce,
 Jane Town, Mrs. Susan W. Tyng,
 Mrs. Sarah M. Oliver, Eliza Holtzbecher,
 Isabella C. Town, Ann McNicoll,
 Mrs. Juliana Good, Mrs. Elizabeth Bellingham,
 Sarah E. Ashley, John Montgomery,
 Marianne Walker, Mrs. Elizabeth Montgomery,
 Mrs. Jane Metcalf, Lloyd Bankson,
 Ruth Newton, Mrs. Salome W. Bankson,
 Catharine L. Brooke, Mrs. Mary Gerraty,
 Mary A. Mingle, Mrs. Harriet S. Watson,
 Mary Elizabeth Gill, Mrs. Louisa Duane,
 Charlotte M. Ashley, Mrs. Sophia Latimer,
 Mrs. Ann Jones, Louisa Secrets,
 Mrs. Ann Hinds, Mrs. Elizabeth Patchell,
 Erasmus J. P. Messinger, Joshua Cowpland,
 Abner Elmes, Frederick W. Porter,
 Mrs. Maria Elmes, Mrs. Sarah C. Porter,
 Caroline K. Elmes, Martha C. Hulme. 52.

Second year, from Easter 1835 to Easter 1836.

John Hockley, Adam Seed,
 Mrs. Catharine Hockley, Mrs. Eliza Seed,
 Mrs. Mary Hockley, Mrs. Marinda A. Bicknell,
 Mrs. Ann Johnston, Ellen S. Rand,
 Elizabeth Orr, Samuel Hazlehurst, Jr.
 Ellen M. Brooke, William T. Elbert,
 Matthew T. Miller, Mrs. Mary Ann Murray,

Mrs. Hannah Hale, Mrs. Abigail Wells,
 Ann Barrington, Mrs. Matilda Dillard,
 Mary H. Haven, Mary Orr,
 Margaret M. Haven, Mrs. Jane C. Nekervis,
 Thomas C. Yarnall, Robert Connor,
 Robert Johnson, Edmund Leaf,
 Mrs. Frances Johnson, John McGarvey,
 William Duane, William P. Smith,
 Lewis Lewis, Mrs. Anna Maria Smith,
 Mary Allen, George W. Montgomery. 34.

Third year, from Easter 1836 to Easter 1837.

Mrs. Harriet Coleman, Mary Ann Mehl,
 Mrs. Williamina E. McEl- Mrs. Maria McIlvaine,
 wee, Mrs. Margaret Smyth,
 Mrs. Anna E. Price, Jane Ann Galbraith,
 Frances N. Hoope, Mrs. Caroline Jones,
 Charlotte Dobell, Emily McPherson,
 Harriet McNeal, Mrs. Eliza Morton,
 Mrs. Frances H. Richards, Francis B. Stockton,
 Mrs. Amanda M. Eckford, Mrs. Eliza S. Ashton,
 John Murray, Charles Jacobs,
 Mrs. Mary M. Brinton, Mrs. Elizabeth Spence,
 Samuel Hazlehurst, Samuel Potts,
 Elizabeth M. Hazlehurst, Ann E. Wilmer,
 Mrs. Aletta Bispham, Mary S. Cannell,
 Jacob Leidy, Paul G. Oliver,
 Mrs. Rebecca L. Bring- Mrs. Ann Kirkpatrick,
 hurst, Maria L. Mitchell,

Anthony McGarvey,
Mrs. Sarah Young,
Ann Young,
John Anderson,
Eliza Shields,
James McGarvey,
William Wadsworth,
Mrs. Mary Wadsworth,
John J. Reese,
George B. Reese,

Mrs. Margaret Reese,
Richard O'Donnell,
Mrs. Anna M. Dawson,
Mary Musgrave,
Hester Orr,
Mrs. Maria Newell,
Mrs. Mary M. Simmons,
Mrs. Harriet Henry,
Mrs. Elizabeth Northrup.

51.

Fourth year, Easter 1837 to Easter 1838.

Mrs. Mary C. Elbert,
Frederick Fairthorne,
William Spence,
Mrs. Margaret Spence,
Susan Gwinn,
Thomas Metcalf,
Mrs. Frances Ann Pollard,
Mrs. Ann Robbins,
Robert Ellis,
Mrs. Margaret Ellis,
Leonard Kimball,
Mrs. Sarah Y. Kimball,
Lydia Ann Gilbert,
Mary Ann McGarvey,
Mrs. Anna B. Stockton,
Mrs. Hannah Hight,
Eliza Ann Randall,

Anna B. Caldwell,
James McCutcheon,
Jane Freel,
Catharine Larue,
Mary White,
Catharine White,
Mrs. Maria M. Mitchell,
James Latimer,
William McIntyre,
Thomas Moore,
Mary Swain,
Mary Morrison,
Mrs. Eliza Y. McAllister,
Josephine L. Patullo,
Mrs. Mary Anna Haskell,
Rebecca J. Elbert,
Eliza English,

Mary Ann McElroy,
Mrs. Mary D. Williams,
Sarah Goodfellow,
Mary Elizabeth Steer,
Cornelia Elizabeth Smith,
Williamine Smith,
Margaret Montgomery,

Margaret Crawford,
Howard S. Elmes,
Eliza Moore,
Ann Barr,
Mrs. Angelica Godman,
Mrs. Catharine O'Donnell,
Mrs. Eleanor A. Simes.

48.

Fifth year, Easter 1838 to Easter 1839.

Anna Armstrong,
Sophia A. Cotton.
Mrs. Caroline Miller,
Mrs. Sarah Ann Montgomery,
Mrs. Hannah Grasby,
Elizabeth E. Grasby,
Mary C. Sprogel,
Mary Wallace,
Mrs. Matilda McIlvaine,
Mrs. Mary P. Fisher,
Ann Orr,
Mrs. Sarah Smith,
Mrs. Ann Thomas,
Mrs. Gertrude O. Phillips,
Mrs. Margaret Patullo,
Mrs. Susan Wrigley,
Mrs. Ruth Warren,

Mrs. Maria Morris,
Mrs. Catharine Stewart,
Mary Hart,
John H. Black,
Mrs. Janette Black,
Elizabeth McAllister,
Ann Eliza Nekervis,
Allin Robinett,
Mrs. Matilda L. Robinett,
Sarah McCullough,
James Young,
Mrs. Rebecca Young,
John Ellis,
Mrs. Mary Prince,
Martha Ann Jackson,
Jane Smyth,
Rebecca Smyth,
Mrs. Ann C. Oakford,

Mrs. Margaret Bell,	Mrs. Ellen W. Lord,	
Alphonso Shubert,	Sarah R. Prince,	
Mrs. Caroline Shubert,	Mrs. Rebecca A. Abbott,	
Mrs. Mary R. Lee,	Mrs. Cornelia Hickey,	
George W. Lord,	Mrs. L. A. Barrows,	45.

Sixth year, Easter 1839 to Easter 1840.

Emma P. Rand,	Mrs. Susannah C. Brown,
Mrs. Rebecca J. Smith,	Mary B. H. Padelford,
Anna Elizabeth Tyng,	Ann C. Brown,
Catharine McBraid,	Richard Wells,
Robert McConnell,	John Tanguy,
Bridget Boyle,	Mrs. Cynthia Jackson,
Mrs. Mary Ann Warren,	Lorenzo Robinson,
Margaret Jane Graves,	Mrs. Adelaide Barnes,
Mrs. Deidamia Morton,	Llewellyn S. Haskell,
Mrs. Elizabeth R. Tutt,	Mrs. Eliza A. Connolly,
Anna V. Groves,	Mrs. Eleanor Little,
Mrs. Elizabeth Leidy,	Esther Faa,
Mrs. Ann L. Philips,	Richard McGlathery,
Sarah Jane Pierce,	Mary V. Carless,
Mrs. Anna P. Ford,	Mrs. Mary Ann Wheeler,
Rebecca Humphreys,	Eunice Anderson,
Mrs. Margaret Brown,	William Thaw,
Charles R. Thomson,	Harriet A. Thaw,
Mrs. Catharine Thomson,	James Kirkpatrick,
Eliza Robinson,	Mrs. Anna R. Frost,
Mrs. Sarah Pratt,	Mrs. Elizabeth Bowen,
Mary Spencer,	Elias Brown,

44.

Seventh year, Easter 1840 to Easter 1841.

Jane Denmark,	Sarah Huston,
Henry Olmsted,	William Furey,
Mrs. Martha Olmsted,	John McCouch,
Walter Kerr Halstead,	George S. Hassan,
Mrs. Eleanor Barrington,	James McClaranan,
Eliza R. Eastburn,	Mrs. Maria McClaranan,
Jane Black,	Letitia Lawson,
Milton Smith,	Margaret Reilly,
Eleanor Godman,	George W. Brown,
Marion H. Rand,	Mrs. Rebecca M. Brown,
Mrs. Hannah W. King,	Mrs. Anna M. H. Hindman,
Elizabeth Ferguson,	Mary Elizabeth Russell,
Joseph K. Eyre,	Mrs. Mary Dilworth,
Mary Ann Myles,	Helen M. Colton,
Abraham Hancker,	Sally A. Gibson,
Mrs. Ann Hancker,	George W. Halstead,
Harrison Bailey,	George Robinson,
Sarah McClure,	Mrs. Jane Robinson,
Mrs. Mary S. Smith,	Margaret Weldom,
Mrs. Mary Martin,	Mary M'Keague,
Mrs. Mary Wilson,	Sarah M'Leary,
Mrs. Esther Neilson,	Mrs. Eliza Osborne,
E. Matilda L. Elwyn,	Mrs. Lydia N. Safford,
James Love,	William E. Bowen,
James T. Allen,	Helen Hughes,
William Nekervis,	William F. Bryant,
Samuel L. Tanguy,	Mrs. Rachel Bryant,
Charles Jarvis,	Mrs. Mary Ann Jarvis,

Mary Seed,	Henrietta C. Long,	
Elizabeth Drinker,	Mrs. Ann A. Shaw,	
Martha Drinker,	Thomas Furey.	62.

Eighth year, from Easter 1841 to Easter 1842.

William Moore,	Mary A. Brown,
Mary Moore,	George W. North,
John Goddard,	Mrs. Catharine M. North,
Ann Brunton,	Mrs. Elizabeth Barton,
Dudley A. Tyng,	Peter Field,
Rachel J. Bryant,	Mrs. Margaret Field,
Mary Donnell,	Mrs. Jane Field,
Margaret Swann,	Joseph Bryant,
Sarah H. Swann,	William H. Allen,
James Swann,	James McNicholl,
Sarah Weir,	Thomas Pilson,
Mrs. Elizabeth McGlathery,	Alexandor McGarvey,
Eliza Barclay,	Samuel Griffiths Wells,
George H. Thomson,	William Woodward,
Mrs. Rebecca Thomson,	Archibald Beatty,
William Whaley,	Robert James Parvin,
Ellen Whaley,	Hancock Smith,
Sarah Whaley,	Mrs. Anna Smith,
Mary Jane Whaley,	Algernon E. Ashburner,
Rebecca Patton,	Lloyd P. Smith,
Eliza Patton,	Alexander Anderson,
Mrs. Elizabeth D. Read,	Thomas Wheeler,
Harriet Howell,	James Patchell,
Amelia W. Courtauld,	Mrs. Catharine Richards,

Cornelia Colton,	Mary Ann Hazzlett,
Aneline Burns,	Catharine McCouch,
Mary Jane Riddle,	Rebecca McCouch,
Mrs. Margaretta Bird,	James Clark,
Mary McGarvey,	Francis Wells,
Margaret E. Donnell,	Eliza Loats,
Mary Thomas,	Rebecca G. Tunis,
Mrs. Martha Taylor,	Mrs. Susannah N. Van
Mrs. Jane Anderson,	Poole,
Mrs. Caroline E. Hazle-	Amelia Morris,
hurst,	Mrs. Katharine A. Olmsted,
Emily Hazlehurst,	Ann Brunton, Jun.
Harriet C. Stevenson,	Mrs. Isabella Gibb,
Theodosia Gill,	Sally F. Fisher,
William H. Ashhurst,	William Deviney,
Mrs. Elizabeth K. Ashhurst,	Anna B. Colton,
Eliza Crawford,	Isabella Hagerty,
Agnes Y. McAllister,	Julia G. Prince,
Elizabeth Arrott,	Jane Ellis,
Mrs. Cornelia Clay,	Caroline A. Rogers,
Mrs. Rachel Patchell,	Jane C. Nekervis,
Mrs. Mary Candy,	Margaret McDougall,
Dorothea Field,	Elizabeth L. Gilbert,
Mrs. Mary G. Murphy,	Jane Pilson,
Mrs. Rowland N. Davis,	John Myles.
Sophia McIlhenny,	

Ninth year, from Easter 1842 to Easter 1843.

Edward Olmsted,	Mrs. Rebecca Kirkpatrick,
Charles Fowler,	Mrs. Lydia Phillips,
William B. Musgrave,	Sarah Hassan,
Elizabeth Wallen,	Mrs. Elizabeth Ashhurst,
Mrs. Elizabeth Jacobs,	Mrs. Catharine H. Bowie,
Mrs. Ellen M. Mayberry,	Mrs. Mary Ashhurst Mc-
Richard B. Tschudy,	Euen,
Eleanor Tschudy,	Mrs. Louisa C. Jackson,
Nicholas K. Wade,	Eliza A. Jones,
Lois Jane Wade,	Clermont E. Thaw,
William Hunter,	Mary McKnight,
Mrs. Ann Hunter,	John Brown,
Mrs. Maria Pinckney,	Joseph A. Clay,
Valentine McKnight,	Emily Palmer,
Elizabeth Blacknell,	Margaret Charlton,
Ann Hutchinson,	Annie Coleman,
Catherine Goudy,	Eliza Kirkpatrick,
William Silcox,	Margaret Black,
Mrs. Mary Furey,	Elizabeth Butler,
Margaret C. Mitchell,	Catherine T. Butler,
Harriot A. Mitchell,	Elizabeth Y. Champion,
Mrs. Mary Woodward,	Sarah M. Stoeper,
Mrs. Elizabeth Tower,	Ellen Harper,
Sarah Blakiston,	Mrs. Anne Haile,
Mrs. Martha Blakiston,	William Gibson, M. D.
Everina Sharp,	Elizabeth D. Pettit,
Jane McCandless,	William H. Moore,
John Kirkpatrick,	Mrs. Hannah Moore,

Janet Goddard,	<i>Eliza W. Brown,</i>
George Pierce,	<i>Mary Armstrong,</i>
Thomas Stuart,	<i>Mrs. Ann Colquhoun,</i>
Alexander McIlhenny,	<i>Ann McKeague,</i>
Eliza Euena McAllister,	<i>Jane Davis,</i>
Elizabeth Christie,	<i>Mrs. Ann Eliza Tunis,</i>
Susan Christie,	<i>John Fowler,</i>
Martha Mahaffey,	<i>Mrs. Savilla Fowler,</i>
Mrs. Margaret McCouch,	<i>Theodore Trewendt,</i>
David Hazel,	<i>Mrs. Mary Trewendt,</i>
Mrs. Elizabeth R. Hazel,	<i>Mrs. Sarah N. Gibson,</i>
Paul Stewart,	<i>Mrs. Susan K. Wade,</i>
Mrs. Mary Stewart,	<i>Mary G. King,</i>
John Loughhead,	<i>John B. Stout,</i>
Mrs. Eliza Loughhead,	<i>Mrs. Harriet Carroll,</i>
Sarah Gear,	<i>Mrs. Nelly Woodhead,</i>
Thomas Phoenix,	<i>Henry C. Schnebly,</i>
Eugenia Phoenix,	<i>Mrs. Henrietta N. Schnebly,</i>
Mary Kirkpatrick,	<i>Lavinia Schnebly,</i>
Anna Maria Peake,	<i>Dorinda Schnebly,</i>
Jane Mahaffey,	<i>Jeremiah Butler,</i>
Matilda Hamilton,	<i>Mrs. Elizabeth Butler,</i>
Elizabeth French,	<i>Edward L. Lycett,</i>
Margaret Ingard,	<i>Mary D. Moore,</i>
Rachel Conner,	<i>Mrs. Cora L. Barton,</i>
Gardiner Marks,	<i>Mrs. Anna B. Stuart,</i>
Margaret Robb,	<i>Asa Whitney,</i>

Mrs. Clarinda Whitney, *Charles Eldred,*
Mary Jane Whitney, *Mrs. Margaretta E. Eldred.*
Sarah Williams. 114.

The names in Italics are persons received from other Churches.

FUNERALS.

There have been *sixteen* funerals in the congregation during the past year. Of these *six*, viz: Mrs. Mary Hoope, Enoch Robbins, Henry Morris, Mrs. Mary Ann Thaw, George Gilliss, and Mary E. Gibson were communicants.

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION OF THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, JAN. 1, 1843.

Our years pass so rapidly and with so little variety, when we look at our labours, that we have but little to say in an annual report. But when we call to mind our mercies and blessings, we may swell our enumeration to a continually increasing extent. Divine goodness and mercy are following us through all our days and all our work, and giving us new reasons to commemorate the loving kindness of our God. Let us look back upon our line of duty past with the thankfulness which his love demands, and the deep self-abasement which becomes our own unworthiness and sin.

Our schools are larger than they have ever been, numbering this year, 63 Teachers and 604 scholars. They are distributed as follows:

Male Department.

Bible Class,	-	-	1	Teacher	13	Scholars.
Sunday School,	-	-	22	"	171	"
Infant School,	-	-	1	"	37	"
with Female Inf. School,					27	"
Branch School,	-	-	5	"	46	"
			29		294	

Female Department.

Bible Class, - - .	1	Teachers	18	Scholars.
Sunday School, - -	24	"	174	"
Infant School, - -	1	"	64	"
Branch School, - -	8	"	54	"
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	34		310	

The gradual and steady increase of our Schools, is a remarkable circumstance in their history :

Our first year ended with	25	Teachers,	214	Scholars.
second	38	"	307	"
third	46	"	436	"
fourth	49	"	475	"
fifth	49	"	480	"
sixth	50	"	500	"
seventh	63	"	563	"
eighth	63	"	604	"

We have been thus led forward through a constant advance in numbers, and I am confident, in usefulness also. When we consider the numbers who have thus been under our instruction, we may well regard both the privilege and the responsibility as great. May the divine blessing of our gracious Lord abundantly prosper the seed which we have sown in his holy name. The character and operations of our schools during the past year have been at least as prosperous and promising as in any previous one. The encouraging increase of the Branch Schools, having now 100 scholars and 13 teachers, is

very happy circumstance in our history. We may well hope that it has now a permanent establishment.

We have been remarkably favoured during our whole history, with the Divine preservation of the health and life of our Teachers. The last year records the first death of a teacher, in the case of Mr. Encoh Robbins, who was one of our most punctual and useful laborers. It pleased God to take him from the earth in the month of August last, in the enjoyment of a bright and glorious hope, and in the very midst of a most useful and honourable life. His character adorned the profession which he made, and honoured the holy Master whom he served. And while our whole congregation have mourned over his departure, we have peculiar reason to lament the taking from our number, one so much valued and esteemed. We take the opportunity to record here his last report of his class, as being an interesting memorial of his character and work.

"I am happy to inform you that my class are quite punctual in their attendance. There has been some improvement, I think, in their disposition to attend Church, since my last report. But still they do not attend as regularly as I could wish. One has left me to go into the Bible class and one has been added to my number, making my class eight. It is now three years since I joined the school, and I do not feel at all satisfied with myself, that more improvement has not been shewn by my boys. If it were not for the trust and confidence I have in God's

promise that he will bless our efforts, I should be entirely discouraged. But trusting in his goodness and mercy, I feel willing to do in my own weakness, any service for God's glory, that my humble abilities will allow. I feel the great responsibility attached to my situation in the school so forcibly, that I think sometimes, I had better resign the class into the hands of some more competent person. But, believing that God will in his own good time bless our efforts, I feel constrained to press on, not looking behind; but trusting that as bread cast upon the waters may afterwards be gathered, so God-will in his mercy grant that our understandings may be more and more enlightened, for Christ's sake.

Feby. 19, 1842.

ENOCH ROBBINS.

Within the last year, the Rev. Samuel Hazlehurst, formerly a teacher in this school, has embarked upon the great and honourable undertaking of a missionary to Africa. He sailed from Baltimore on the 15th day of December. Mr. Messinger, long our Infant School teacher, has left us to enter upon a course of theological study at the Virginia Seminary, in preparation for the ministry. We have now three of our former teachers thus engaged. In reference to all of whom, we may reasonably cherish strong encouragement and hope for their future usefulness in the ministry.

In the changes of our teachers, Mr. Milton Smith has succeeded Mr. Messinger in the care of the Infant School,

and Miss Elwyn has taken charge of the Female Bible class.

We have parted with four of our children by death during the year past. Two of them, who were elder girls in the Female School, gave us satisfactory ground of hope that they had found an everlasting shelter in that cleft of the rock, in which a Gracious God is pleased to hide his children. Two were members of the infant class. It is a happiness to us, thus to receive the mark of God's favour, in the training of his children among us, for an early entrance into his glory. And while they are thus taken from us, in the very midst of our efforts to do them good, the solemn fact should remind us anew of our obligations and responsibility, and excite us to new and increasing diligence and seriousness in the work in which we are engaged.

Our missionary collections for the past year have amounted to \$199 10: from the male school, \$75, and from the Female School \$110 43, from the Branch School, \$13 67. This has been devoted as before, in part for the education of a beneficiary in Athens, \$80, and for four children in Africa, \$80. The remainder is still on hand to be appropriated.

Twelve of our scholars have made a profession of religion within the past year, making 64 who have thus been led to stand upon the Lord's side while under our instruction, beside a large number who have made a religious profession after they have left our schools who are

not included in this enumeration, and who undoubtedly owe much of the religious influence which has thus subsequently operated upon their minds, to the instruction which they received in the Sunday School.

Our eighth annual sermon was preached on the 2nd of January, when the annual collection amounted to \$310 27. Our eighth anniversary was held on the afternoon of Christmas day, and a larger number of children were present than we have ever had before, and in better order and discipline than ever on any previous occasion.

We have omitted many interesting facts and incidents from our annual report, from our haste in its preparation, as well as because they have been read at our quarterly meetings. As a general fact, our Schools are in a more encouraging state than they have been in any previous year. The children exhibit an undiminished interest in their attendance, especially at the monthly lectures of their pastor, and seem to be anxious to attend with punctuality. Our Teachers have been particularly regular, and we have much cause for gratitude in regarding the general aspects of their work. The improvement in the accommodation of our children in the public worship of the Church, during the year past, by the erection of new galleries, is another very important fact in our history. They are now seated conveniently and pleasantly, and their deportment is thus more easily guarded, and made more satisfactory. We have thus a history of many mercies to record, and desire to speak only the language of thankfulness in reference to the Lord's dealings with

us, while we would enter upon another year with increased humility and faith and prayer.

Z. LOCKE, Treasurer, with S. S. Association of the Church of the Epiphany :

1842.

Dr.

Jan. 1,	To Balance from last year, . . .	3 40
11,	" Cash recd. from Parish Treas., annual collection for S. S., . . .	322 37
Mar. 16,	To Cash recd. from Parish Treas., annual col. for S. S., . . .	24 46
April 19,	To Cash recd. from Parish Treas., for rent of Branch School-room, . . .	34 13
Aug. 31,	To Cash recd. from Mr. L. R. Ashhurst for Bible sold, . . .	50
Sep. 26,	To Cash recd. from Pur. Treas., for rent of branch school rooms, . . .	37 50
Nov. 21,	To Cash recd. from Mr. L. R. Ash- hurst, for Bibles sold, . . .	2 00
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		\$424 33

1842.			Cr.
Jan. 11,	By Cash pd. Am. S. S. Union in full		
	bill of 1841, . . .	322	37
Mar. 18,	" " Mr. McAllister, do.	10	00
" "	" " Mr. D. R. Knight, do.	14	46
April 19,	" " 2 qurs. rent of branch		
	school-room,	37	50
Sept. 27,	" " " " " "	37	50
	Balance in Treasurer's hands,	2	50
E. E.			\$424 33

Z. LOCKE,

Philada. Dec. 1, 1842.

Treasurer.

BENEVOLENT OPERATIONS.

The various collections which have been received by the parish Treasurer, Mr. Zebulon Locke, are according to the following account:

Collections for Foreign Missions, . . .	298	05
Collections for Domestic Missions, . . .	285	93
Special collection for Missions, . . .	465	14
Collec. for S. S. of the Ch. of the Epiphany,	264	20
" " " cause, . . .	144	67
" " General purposes, . . .	315	50
Wednesday evening monthly collection, . . .	159	27
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		\$1932 76

Amount brought over,	\$1932	76
Ladies' Sewing Society, for Africa, - . .	175	00
Collected by Rev. Mr. Hazlehurst for do.	90	00
Received from the children of the S. S. - .	195	00
Donations for education for the Ministry, -	75	00
Collection for the Bible Society, - . .	40	97
Recd. from the family of Milton Smith for the		
education of Sarah L. Smith in Africa, - .	20	00
Collection for Episcopal and Convention Fund,	57	61
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		\$2586 34

Paid by orders from the Rector,—		
To Foreign Committee for African Mission,	415	00
" " " for Greek Mission,	190	00
" " " for China Mission,	110	00
" " " Quinquagesima Collection,	250	00
" Domestic Committee, - . . .	250	00
Paid Church of the Evangelists, Philada.	70	00
To Rev. P. Van Pelt, - . . .	400	00
To London Society for promoting Christianity		
among the Jews, - . . .	96	80
" Convention and Episcopal funds of Penn.,	57	61
" Young Men's Bible Society, - . .	40	00
" Sunday Schools of Church of Epiphany	301	02
" Education of a candidate for the Ministry,	150	00
" American S. S. Union, - . .	145	00
" Immanuel Church, Kensington, - . .	100	00
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		\$2575 43

Balance on hand, \$10 91.

In addition to this, the Teachers of the Sunday schools have collected \$163 25, for the purpose of furnishing the Branch Schools with Libraries, benches, and other necessary articles of furniture.

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FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE DORCAS SOCIETY  
OF THE  
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

In reviewing the transactions of another season we must not be regardless of the kind guidance of our heavenly Father, or fail to acknowledge the undeviating goodness and mercy that have marked our course.

The pecuniary embarrassment of individual donors to the Society, with the extraordinary demands from the poor, have led us sometimes to doubt the possibility of being sustained. But happily difficulties have been obviated by a depreciation of the value of saleable goods, which has enabled us with the *same amount* of money to obtain a *double* quantity of articles.

We have now fifty names enrolled as members of the Association. The Treasurer reports the receipt of \$121 12½, with the following materials as donations:—13½ pieces of muslin, 10½ Calico, 6 of Canton Flannels, 2 of woollen flannel, 1 of merino, 1 of linsey, 2 of Kenty.

jeans, 1 doz. pr. of stockings, 1 doz. comforts, 3 shawls, 1 doz. pr. of mittens, 5 yds. of check and eight other small pieces.

Eight hundred and eighty-one garments have been distributed. The importance our Society has assumed in connection with Sunday School renders it obligatory to be exceedingly watchful and circumspect in the distribution of articles. Our aim has been to supply the deficiencies of such children as could not be clothed comfortably by their parents. We find it necessary for the furtherance of this plan, to request the Sunday School teachers, when the scholars need assistance, to notify the Board of the name and residence of the child, together with the signature of his or her teacher.

In closing our report we pray that the blessing of Heaven may rest upon us,—the light of our Father's countenance shine on us,—the favour of Christ Jesus abide with us,—and the influence of God's spirit continue in us,—to lead, direct, and control every thing, to the glory of God, and the good of our fellow creatures.

MARCH 30th, 1843.

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The Ladies' Sewing Society have continued their active exertions, and have not failed to obtain a liberal sum for the Mission to Africa, though the circumstances of

embarrassment around us have interfered in some degree with their sales.

In concluding my report, I desire to urge upon all my beloved flock, the spirit of gratitude and liberality, as our proper return for the many mercies and blessings which have been bestowed upon us. Let us enter upon another year of our history with deep humility and self-abasement. Let us strive to improve all our opportunities to gain and to bestow spiritual benefits, remembering that the Judge standeth at the door, and our last solemn account must soon be rendered.

Most affectionately,

Your faithful friend and pastor,

STEPHEN H. TYNG.

PHILADA., APRIL 17, 1843.

TENTH  
PASTORAL REPORT  
OF THE  
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,  
PHILADELPHIA,  
PRESENTED TO THE CONGREGATION  
AT EASTER, APRIL 7, 1844,  
BY  
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## NOTICE.

THIS is the tenth of an annual series to be printed alike and presented to the congregation at Easter in every year. If they are preserved, each member of the congregation will have a complete history of the Church from its commencement. Any members of the congregation who have not received the previous reports, may obtain them by applying to the sexton.

The following named gentlemen compose the Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, elected on Easter-Monday, April 8, 1844.

|                      |                          |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| LEWIS R. ASHHURST,   | } <i>Church Wardens.</i> |
| CASPAR MORRIS,       |                          |
| WILLIAM MUSGRAVE,    |                          |
| FREDERICK W. PORTER, |                          |
| THOMAS S. TAYLOR,    |                          |
| GEORGE B. REESE,     |                          |
| SAMUEL HAZLEHURST,   |                          |
| CHARLES WILLIAMS,    |                          |
| ZEBULON LOCKE,       |                          |
| ALLIN ROBINETT,      |                          |
| MATTHEW T. MILLER,   |                          |
| LEONARD KIMBALL.     |                          |

*Organist and leader of the Choir.*

CHARLES JARVIS.

*Sexton.*

JACOB LEIDY.

## CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

This report closes my first ten years of labor as the Rector of this Church. From a little one, we have become a thousand. The present size of our congregation is a very unusual result of so short a period of time; and though it has increased my own labours to an extremely burdensome extent, it has given a field and an opportunity for useful and effective labour, such as is afforded but to few in the ministry. The history of this Church has been one of continued spiritual prosperity. We may profitably call to mind some of the results of our past years, as monuments of divine goodness, and reasons for gratitude and praise to God when we look upon the particular results of this single year.

Within the ten years of my ministry here, I have received to the Lord's Table *eight hundred* persons, of whom *two hundred and ninety* came from other Churches, and *five hundred and ten* have been first admitted here. I have baptised 109 adults, and 374 children. There have been 464 persons confirmed. I have officiated at 158 marriages, and above 100 funerals. The Sermons and Lectures

of various kinds which I have delivered within this period, amount to above 2,500. The various collections in the congregation who have passed under my notice, during this time have exceeded \$35,000. These are some of the manifested results of my labour in the ministry among you. I trust they are attendants upon far higher and more precious spiritual results, the record of which is on high. I feel deeply and painfully, the vast responsibility of my charge; and I desire to fulfill it simply, earnestly, and humbly, to the glory of the Divine Redeemer. The present size of our congregation filling as it does the Church entirely, has placed the pecuniary interests and welfare of the Church upon a secure foundation. I trust we may look forward to spiritual blessings yet more abundant to be bestowed upon us, as the gift of God who heareth prayer.

### MARRIAGES.

I have officiated at *fifteen* marriages during the year past.

### BAPTISMS.

I have baptized *nine* adults; and *thirty-four* infants.—  
Total *forty-three*.

## CONFIRMATION.

The Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk administered the rite of confirmation on Sunday morning, March 31, to the following *fifty-eight* persons, making *four hundred and sixty-four* who have thus made an open profession of religion in the past ten years.

|                        |                      |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| Jane Aiken,            | Hannah Moore,        |
| Isaac Hazlehurst,      | William Gibson,      |
| Joseph Richards,       | Gustavus V. Town,    |
| Charles Swain,         | Elizabeth W. Thayer, |
| George Kearney,        | Amelia Jennings,     |
| Isabella Orr,          | Mary Montgomery      |
| Charlotte P. Harraden, | Cleantha Storm,      |
| Adam Marshall,         | Elizabeth Wallen,    |
| Jane M'Minn,           | Ann Robinson,        |
| Lucy A. Stone,         | Mary Furey,          |
| Mary Ann Welsh,        | Alfred Mulligan,     |
| Elizabeth Connelly,    | Robert Nixon,        |
| Eliza Gibson,          | Rachel Hill,         |
| Phoebe Ann Robbins,    | William Deviney,     |
| William A. Newbold,    | Elizabeth Westcott,  |
| Susannah Detra,        | Joanna M. Shaw,      |
| Sarah H. Coleman,      | Elizabeth Simmons,   |
| Mary Sherman,          | Maria Pinckney,      |
| David Thompson,        | Mary Ann Patchell,   |
| John L. Hood,          | Mary Jane McMullin,  |

|                      |                      |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| Mary Ann Hutchinson, | Charlotte Mason,     |
| Lavinia Evans,       | Agnes Hassan,        |
| Janet Beath,         | Caroline F. Rodgers, |
| Helen Bonsall,       | Mary Newell,         |
| Francina H. Cheston, | Caroline Jennings,   |
| Carlotta Matthews    | William B. Storm,    |
| Eliza Andrews        | John J. Jones,       |
| Sarah Robb,          | Elizabeth Mason,     |
| William H. Moore,    | Frances McKnight,    |

## COMMUNICANTS.

The number of communicants reported last year was *five hundred and forty-seven*. Of this number, *six* have been taken away by death, and *thirty-two* have removed elsewhere, leaving *five hundred and nine*; to these have been added, *ninety-seven* new members, making the present number *six hundred and six*.

## COMMUNICANTS.

*First year from Aug. 1834 to Easter 1835.*

|                           |                           |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Lewis R. Ashhurst,        | Thomas S. Taylor,         |
| Mrs. Mary Ashhurst,       | Mrs. Mary M. Taylor,      |
| Caspar Morris, M. D.      | Zebulon Locke,            |
| Mrs. Ann C. Morris,       | Mrs. Harriet Locke,       |
| William Musgrave,         | Mrs. Caroline M. Jackson, |
| Mrs. Eleanor B. Musgrave, | Mrs. Grace Gill,          |

|                          |                            |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Mrs. Ann Hosea,          | Mrs. Catharine Pierce,     |
| Jane Town,               | Mrs. Susan W. Tyng,        |
| Mrs. Sarah M. Oliver,    | Eliza Holtzbecher,         |
| Isabella C. Town,        | Ann McNicoll,              |
| Mrs. Juliana Good,       | Mrs. Elizabeth Bellingham, |
| Sarah E. Ashley,         | John Montgomery,           |
| Marianne Walker,         | Mrs. Elizabeth Montgomery, |
| Mrs. Jane Metcalf,       | Lloyd Bankson,             |
| Mary A. Mingle,          | Mrs. Salome W. Bankson,    |
| Mary Elizabeth Gill,     | Mrs. Mary Gerraty,         |
| Charlotte M. Ashley,     | Mrs. Harriet S. Watson,    |
| Mrs. Ann Jones,          | Mrs. Louisa Duane,         |
| Mrs. Ann Hinds,          | Mrs. Sophia Latimer,       |
| Erasmus J. P. Messinger, | Louisa Secrets,            |
| Abner Elmes,             | Mrs. Elizabeth Patchell,   |
| Mrs. Maria Elmes,        | Joshua Cowpland,           |
| Caroline K. Elmes,       | Frederick W. Porter,       |
| Mrs. Lucy Russell,       | Mrs. Sarah C. Porter,      |
| Mrs. Mary Stevenson,     | Martha C. Hulme.           |

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*Second year, from Easter 1835 to Easter 1836.*

|                         |                           |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| John Hockley,           | Mrs. Eliza Seed,          |
| Mrs. Catharine Hockley, | Mrs. Marinda A. Bicknell, |
| Mrs. Mary Hockley,      | Ellen S. Rand,            |
| Mrs. Ann Johnston,      | William T. Elbert,        |
| Matthew T. Miller,      | Mrs. Mary Ann Murray,     |
| Adam Seed,              | Ann Barrington,           |

|                       |                        |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Margaret M. Haven,    | Mrs. Jane C. Nekervis, |
| William Duane,        | Robert Connor,         |
| Lewis Lewis,          | Edmund Leaf,           |
| Mary Allen,           | John McGarvey,         |
| Mrs. Abigail Wells,   | William P. Smith,      |
| Mrs. Matilda Dillard, | Mrs. Anna Maria Smith, |
| Mary Orr,             | George W. Montgomery.  |

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*Third year, from Easter 1836 to Easter 1837.*

|                             |                        |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Mrs. Harriet Coleman,       | Mrs. Margaret Smyth,   |
| Mrs. Williamina E. McEl-    | Jane Ann Galbraith,    |
| wee,                        | Mrs. Caroline Jones,   |
| Mrs. Anna E. Price,         | Mrs. Eliza Morton,     |
| Frances N. Hoope,           | Francis B. Stockton,   |
| Charlotte Dobell,           | Mrs. Eliza S. Ashton,  |
| Harriet McNeal,             | Charles Jacobs,        |
| Mrs. Frances H. Richards,   | Mrs. Elizabeth Spence, |
| Mrs. Amanda M. Eckford,     | Samuel Potts,          |
| John Murray,                | Ann E. Wilmer,         |
| Mrs. Mary M. Brinton,       | Mary S. Cannell,       |
| Samuel Hazlehurst,          | Paul G. Oliver,        |
| Elizabeth M. Hazlehurst,    | Mrs. Ann Kirkpatrick,  |
| Mrs. Aletta Bispham,        | Anthony McGarvey,      |
| Jacob Leidy,                | Mrs. Sarah Young,      |
| Mrs. Rebecca L. Bringhurst, | Ann Young,             |
| Mary Ann Mehl,              | John Anderson,         |
| Mrs. Maria McIlvaine,       | Eliza Shields,         |

James McGarvey,  
William Wadsworth,  
Mrs. Mary Wadsworth,  
John J. Reese,  
George B. Reese,  
Mrs. Margaret Reese,  
Richard O'Donnell,

Mrs. Anna M. Dawson,  
Mary Musgrave,  
Hester Orr,  
Mrs. Maria Newell,  
Mrs. Mary M. Simmons,  
Mrs. Harriet Henry,  
Mrs. Elizabeth Northrop.

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*Fourth year, Easter 1837 to Easter 1838.*

Mrs. Mary C. Elbert,  
Frederick Fairthorne,  
William Spence,  
Mrs. Margaret Spence,  
Susan Gwinn,  
Thomas Metcalf,  
Mrs. Frances Ann Pollard,  
Mrs. Ann Robbins,  
Robert Ellis,  
Mrs. Margaret Ellis,  
Leonard Kimball,  
Mrs. Sarah Y. Kimball,  
Lydia Ann Gilbert,  
Mary Ann McGarvey,  
Mrs. Anna B. Stockton,  
Mrs. Hannah Hight,  
Eliza Ann Randall,  
Anna B. Caldwell,

James McCutcheon,  
Jane Freel,  
Catharine Larue,  
Mary White,  
Catharine White,  
Mrs. Maria M. Mitchell,  
James Latimer,  
William McIntyre,  
Thomas Moore,  
Mary Swain,  
Mary Morrison,  
Mrs. Eliza Y. McAllister,  
Josephine L. Patrullo,  
Rebecca J. Elbert,  
Eliza English  
Mrs. Mary D. Williams,  
Sarah Goodfellow,  
Cornelia Elizabeth Smith,

Williamine Smith,  
Margaret Montgomery,  
Margaret Crawford,  
Howard S. Elmes,  
Eliza Moore,

Ann Barr,  
Mrs. Angelica Godman,  
Mrs. Catharine O'Donnell,  
Mrs. Eleanor A. Simes.

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*Fifth year, Easter 1838 to Easter 1839.*

Anna Armstrong,  
Sophia A. Cotton,  
Mrs. Caroline Miller,  
Mrs. Sarah Ann Montgo-  
mery,  
Mrs. Hannah Grasby,  
Elizabeth E. Grasby,  
Mary C. Sprogell,  
Mary Wallace,  
Mrs. Matilda McIlvaine,  
Mrs. Mary P. Fisher,  
Ann Orr,  
Mrs. Sarah Smith,  
Mrs. Ann Thomas,  
Mrs. Gertrude O. Phillips,  
Mrs. Margaret Patrullo,  
Mrs. Susan Wrigley,  
Mrs. Ruth Warren,  
Mrs. Maria Morris,  
Mrs. Catharine Stewart,  
Mary Hart,  
John H. Black,

Mrs. Janette Black,  
Elizabeth McAllister,  
Ann Eliza Nekervis,  
Allin Robinett,  
Mrs. Matilda L. Robinett,  
Sarah McCullough,  
James Young,  
Mrs. Rebecca Young,  
John Ellis,  
Mrs. Mary Prince,  
Martha Ann Jackson,  
Jane Smyth,  
Rebecca Smyth,  
Mrs. Ann C. Oakford,  
Mrs. Margaret Bell,  
Alphonso Shubert,  
Mrs. Caroline Shubert,  
Mrs. Mary R. Lee,  
Sarah R. Prince,  
Mrs. Rebecca A. Abbott,  
Mrs. Cornelia Hickey,  
Mrs. L. A. Barrows.

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*Sixth year, Easter 1839 to Easter 1840.*

|                         |                         |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Emma P. Rand,           | Mary Spencer,           |
| Mrs. Rebecca J. Smith,  | Mrs. Susannah C. Brown, |
| Anna Elizabeth Tyng,    | Mary B. H. Padelford,   |
| Catharine Boyd,         | Ann C. Brown,           |
| Robert McConnell,       | Richard Wells,          |
| Bridget Boyle,          | John Tanguy,            |
| Mrs. Mary Ann Warren,   | Mrs. Cynthia Jackson,   |
| Margaret Jane Graves,   | Mrs. Adelaide Barnes,   |
| Mrs. Deidamia Morton,   | Mrs. Eliza A. Connelly, |
| Mrs. Elizabeth R. Tutt, | Mrs. Eleanor Little,    |
| Anna V. Groves,         | Esther Faa,             |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Leidy,   | Richard McGlathery,     |
| Mrs. Ann L. Philips,    | Mary V. Carless,        |
| Sarah Jane Pierce,      | Mrs. Mary Ann Wheeler,  |
| Mrs. Anna P. Ford,      | Eunice Anderson,        |
| Rebecca Humphreys,      | William Thaw,           |
| Mrs. Margaret Brown,    | Harriet A. Thaw,        |
| Mrs. Catharine Thomson, | James Kirkpatrick,      |
| Eliza Robinson,         | Mrs. Elizabeth Bowen,   |
| Mrs. Sarah Pratt,       | Elias Brown.            |

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*Seventh year, Easter 1840 to Easter 1841.*

|                          |                     |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Jane Denmark,            | Jane Black,         |
| Henry Olmsted,           | Milton Smith,       |
| Mrs. Martha Olmsted,     | Eleanor Godman,     |
| Walter Kerr Halstead,    | Marion H. Rand,     |
| Mrs. Eleanor Barrington, | Elizabeth Ferguson, |

|                        |                          |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Joseph K. Eyre,        | Mrs. Anna M. H. Hindman, |
| Mary Ann Myles,        | Mary Elizabeth Russell,  |
| Abraham Hancker,       | Mrs. Mary Dilworth,      |
| Mrs. Ann Hancker,      | Helen M. Colton,         |
| Harrison Bailey,       | Sally A. Gibson,         |
| Sarah McClure,         | George W. Halstead,      |
| Mrs. Mary S. Smith,    | George Robinson,         |
| Mrs. Mary Martin,      | Mrs. Jane Robinson,      |
| Mrs. Esther Neilson,   | Margaret Weldom,         |
| E. Matilda L. Elwyn,   | Mary M'Keague,           |
| James Love,            | Sarah M'Leary,           |
| James T. Allen,        | Mrs. Eliza Osborne,      |
| William Nekervis,      | Mrs. Lydia N. Safford,   |
| Samuel L. Tanguy,      | William E. Bowen,        |
| Sarah Huston,          | Helen Hughes,            |
| William Furey,         | William F. Bryant,       |
| John McCouch,          | Mrs. Rachel Bryant,      |
| George S. Hassan,      | Mrs. Mary Ann Jarvis,    |
| James McClaranan,      | Mary Seed,               |
| Mrs. Maria McClaranan, | Henrietta C. Long,       |
| Letitia Lawson,        | Mrs. Ann A. Shaw,        |
| Margaret Reilly,       | Thomas Furey.            |

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*Eighth year, from Easter 1841 to Easter 1842.*

|                 |                            |
|-----------------|----------------------------|
| William Moore,  | Rachel J. Bryant,          |
| Mary Moore,     | Mary Donnell,              |
| John Goddard,   | Sarah Weir,                |
| Dudley A. Tyng, | Mrs. Elizabeth McGlathery, |

Eliza Barclay  
 George H. Thomson,  
 Mrs. Rebecca Thomson,  
 William Whaley,  
 Ellen Whaley,  
 Sarah Whaley,  
 Mary Jane Whaley,  
 Rebecca Patton,  
 Eliza Patton,  
 Mrs. Elizabeth D. Read,  
 Harriet Howell,  
 Mrs. Amelia W. Smith,  
 Mary A. Brown,  
 George W. North,  
 Mrs. Catharine M. North,  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Barton,  
 Peter Field,  
 Mrs. Margaret Field,  
 Mrs. Jane Field,  
 Joseph Bryant,  
 William H. Allen,  
 James McNicholl,  
 Thomas Pilson,  
 Alexander McGarvey,  
 Samuel Griffiths Wells,  
 William Woodward,  
 Archibald Beatty,  
 Robert James Parvin,  
 Hancock Smith,  
 Mrs. Anna Smith,  
 Algernon E. Ashburner,  
 Lloyd P. Smith,  
 Alexander Anderson,  
 Thomas Wheeler,  
 James Patchell,  
 Mrs. Catharine Richards,  
 Cornelia B. Colton,  
 Aneline Burns,  
 Mary Jane Riddle,  
 Mrs. Margaretta Bird,  
 Mary McGarvey,  
 Margaret E. Donnell,  
 Mary Thomas,  
 Mrs. Martha Taylor,  
 Mrs. Jane Anderson,  
 Mrs. Caroline E. Hazle-  
     hurst,  
 Emily Hazlehurst,  
 Harriet C. Stevenson,  
 Theodosia Gill,  
 William H. Ashhurst,  
 Mrs. Elizabeth K. Ashhurst,  
 Eliza Crawford,  
 Agnes Y. McAllister,  
 Elizabeth Arrott,  
 Mrs. Cornelia Clay,

Mrs. Rachel Patchell,  
 Mrs. Mary Candy,  
 Dorothea Field,  
 Mrs. Mary G. Murphy,  
 Mrs. Rowland N. Davis,  
 Sophia McIlhenny,  
 Mary Ann Hazlett,  
 Catharine McCouch,  
 Rebecca McCouch,  
 James Clark,  
 Francis Wells,  
 Eliza Loats,  
 Rebecca G. Tunis,  
 Mrs. Susannah N. Van  
     Poole,  
 Amelia Morris,  
 Mrs. Katharine A. Olmsted,  
 Ann Brunton,  
 Mrs. Isabella Gibb,  
 Mrs. Sally F. Lewis,  
 William Deviney,  
 Anna B. Colton,  
 Isabella Hagerty,  
 Julia G. Prince,  
 Jane Ellis,  
 Caroline A. Rogers,  
 Jane C. Nekervis,  
 Margaret McDougall,  
 Elizabeth L. Gilbert,  
 Jane Pilson,  
 John Myles.

*Ninth year, from Easter 1842 to Easter 1843.*

Edward Olmsted.  
 William B. Musgrave,  
 Elizabeth Wallen,  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Jacobs,  
 Mrs. Ellen M. Mayberry,  
 Richard B. Tschudy,  
 Eleanor Tschudy,  
 Nicholas K. Wade,  
 Lois Jane Wade,  
 William Hunter,  
 Mrs. Ann Hunter,  
 Mrs. Maria Pinckney,  
 Valentine McKnight,  
 Elizabeth Blacknell,  
 Ann Hutchinson,  
 Catharine Goudy,  
 William Silcox,  
 Mrs. Mary Furey,  
 Mrs. Margaret C. Newbold,  
 Harriot A. Mitchell,

Mrs. Mary Woodward,  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Tower,  
 Sarah Blakiston,  
 Mrs. Martha Blakiston,  
 Everina Sharp,  
 Jane McCandless,  
 John Kirkpatrick,  
 Mrs. Rebecca Kirkpatrick,  
 Mrs. Lydia Phillips,  
 Sarah Hassan,  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Ashhurst,  
 Mrs. Catharine H. Bowie,  
 Mrs. Mary Ashhurst Mc-  
   Euen,  
 Mrs. Louisa C. Jackson,  
 Clermont E. Thaw,  
 Mary McKnight,  
 John Brown,  
 Joseph A. Clay,  
 Emily Palmer,  
 Margaret Charlton,  
 Annie Coleman,  
 Eliza Kirkpatrick,  
 Margaret Black,  
 Catharine T. Butler,  
 Elizabeth Y. Champion,  
 Sarah M. Stoever,  
 Ellen Harper,

Mrs. Anne Haile,  
 William Gibson, M. D.  
 Elizabeth D. Pettit,  
 William H. Moore,  
 Mrs. Hannah Moore,  
 Janet Goddard,  
 George Pierce,  
 Thomas Stewart,  
 Alexander McIlhenny,  
 Eliza Euena McAllister,  
 Elizabeth Christie,  
 Susan Christie,  
 Martha Mahaffey,  
 Mrs. Margaret McCouch,  
 David Hazel,  
 Mrs. Elizabeth R. Hazel,  
 Paul Stewart,  
 Mrs. Mary Stewart,  
 John Loughhead,  
 Sarah Gear,  
 Thomas Phoenix,  
 Eugenia Phoenix,  
 Mary Kirkpatrick,  
 Anna Maria Peake,  
 Jane Mahaffey,  
 Matilda Hamilton,  
 Elizabeth French,  
 Margaret Ingard,

Rachel Conner,  
 Gardiner Marks,  
 Margaret Robb,  
 Eliza W. Brown,  
 Mary Armstrong,  
 Mrs. Ann Colquhoun,  
 Ann McKeague  
 Jane Davis,  
 Mrs. Ann Eliza Tunis,  
 John Fowler,  
 Mrs. Savilla Fowler,  
 Theodore Trewendt,  
 Mrs. Mary Trewendt,  
 Mrs. Sarah N. Gibson,  
 Mrs. Susan K. Wade,  
 Mary G. King,

John B. Stout,  
 Mrs. Harriet Carroll,  
 Henry C. Schnebly,  
 Mrs. Henrietta N. Schnebly,  
 Lavinia Schnebly,  
 Dorinda Schnebly,  
 Jeremiah Butler,  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Butler,  
 Edward L. Lycett,  
 Mrs. Cora L. Barton,  
 Mrs. Anna B. Stuart,  
 Asa Whitney,  
 Mrs. Clarinda Whitney,  
 Sarah Williams,  
 Charles Eldred,  
 Mrs. Margaretta E. Eldred.

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*Tenth year, from Easter 1843 to Easter 1844.*

Margaret Patullo,  
 Louisa Martha Taylor,  
 James O. Donohue,  
 Robert Wade,  
 Eliza Whitney,  
 William Gibson,  
 Elizabeth Westcott,  
 Alice E. Colquhoun,  
 William Montgomery,  
 Mary Ann Christie,

James S. Kirkpatrick,  
 Elias H. Brown,  
 Rowland H. Brown,  
 William J. Brown,  
 Mary Sherman,  
 Jabez Harraden,  
 Mrs. Charlotte P. Harraden,  
 Alfred Mulligan,  
 Alexander G. Tyng,  
 Joseph Richards,

Sarah Y. McElwee,  
 Mrs. Margaret I. Sargent,  
 Hannah Loughhead,  
 Rosanna McBraid,  
 Jane Aiken,  
 Isaac Hazlehurst,  
 Robert Nixon,  
 Rachel Hill,  
 George Kearney,  
 Isabella Orr,  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Simmons,  
 Jane McMinn,  
 Mary Ann Patchell,  
 Mary Ann Welsh,  
 Mary Jane McMullin,  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Connolly,  
 Mary Ann Hutchinson,  
 Eliza Gibson,  
 Mrs. Lavinia Evans,  
 Phoebe Ann Robbins,  
 Mrs. Janet Beath,  
 Helen Bonsall,  
 Mrs. Susannah Detra,  
 Francina H. Cheston,  
 David Thompson,  
 Carlotta Matthews,  
 Sarah Robb,  
 Mrs. Charlotte Mason,

William B. Storm,  
 Mrs. Cleantha Storm,  
 Mrs. Agnes Hassan,  
 Gustavus V. Town,  
 Mrs. Elizabeth W. Thayer,  
 Mrs. Amelia Jennings,  
 Mrs. Caroline Jennings,  
 Mary Montgomery,  
 Mrs. Ann Robinson,  
 Frances McKnight,  
 Lydia Phillips,  
 Anna Cowpland,  
 Eliza Wood,  
*Jane Smith,*  
*John E. Bispham,*  
*Rebecca Fisher,*  
*George Harbeson,*  
*Mrs. Mary Harbeson,*  
*William Lincoln.*  
*Mrs. Elizabeth Lincoln*  
*Ann Jane Smith,*  
*Ann McAffray,*  
*Janette Hulme,*  
*Mrs. Sarah Pepper,*  
*Lucy Byrd,*  
*Mary E. Watmough,*  
*Wm Newbold,*  
*Mrs. Sarah A. Newbold,*

*Rev. Caleb J. Good,*  
*Joseph Dando,*  
*Harriet Dando,*  
*Harriet Richards,*  
*Jane Read,*  
*Rebecca J. Milner,*  
*Elizabeth Whelan,*  
*Abby Ann K. Van Pelt,*  
*Elizabeth D. Van Pelt,*  
*Catharine McCooch.*  
*Sarah R. Peters,*

*Mary Delany*  
*Ann Armstrong,*  
*Mrs. Margaret N. Kelly,*  
*Angel M. Smyth,*  
*Mary Dever,*  
*Mrs. Harriet Allen,*  
*Benjamin Ashburner,*  
*Mrs. Maria Ashburner.*  
*Charlotte Wood,*  
*Agnes Boulton.*

The names in Italics have been received from other Episcopal Churches.

## FUNERALS.

There have been ten funerals, of whom six, viz: Charles R. Thomson, Elizabeth Orr, Mrs. Ann Brunton, Mary D. Moore, Mrs. Mary Wilson, Mrs. Maria L. Williams, were communicants.

NINTH ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION  
OF THE  
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,

JAN. 1, 1844.

When we first commenced our work in this place, and this relation, we could hardly have dared to hope, that it would ever have extended itself upon our hands, as it has since done. This increase is even more remarkable, when we consider the number of new Churches and Schools connected with them which have arisen around us, since our efforts were commenced. We have not only generally succeeded in retaining our scholars, as long as they have been willing to attend the Sunday School, but have constantly added new ones, who seem to partake of the attachment to the place, and the duties which have actuated the others around them.

The sincere attachment of the children has been a remarkable feature in the character of these schools, from their commencement. This feeling has made the duties of the School always a pleasure to them, and has had much influence also in constituting the Holy Sabbath, a day of pleasure to them, instead of a weariness and burden. The feeling thus uniformly found among the children, should be a very strong motive upon the Teachers to

fidelity, perseverance and love. But we have never been without a divine witness in higher blessings upon our efforts than even the affectionate interest of the children in the School. Each year has numbered some in our schools who have entered upon a solemn profession of personal devotion to the Saviour. The last year has been more highly blessed than any previous year of our labours. No less than *twenty-one* of our scholars have been received into the communion of the Church within the year, making *eighty-five* who have been thus directly received from these Sunday Schools, without enumerating a much larger number who have been more or less under the same influence. The amount of spiritual benefit actually conferred by our instrumentality, upon those under our charge, is a fact calling for special remembrance and gratitude. To make a fair, or a very large allowance from the number of these youthful servants of Christ, for those whose religious character may be like the morning cloud and the early dew, we have still a result of blessing which ought to awaken the most cordial thanksgiving to that glorious Saviour from whose mercy and power, the salvation of the soul alone can proceed. We are then not to forget in this enumeration, the number of those whose early deaths have been recorded in our former reports, and who have thus glorified God, in the manifest work of his Spirit upon their hearts, though they have not been members of the outward Church below, in any public profession of

their own. Upon the whole review of this aspect of our labours, we doubt if any Sunday school has more reason for gratitude to the Author and Giver of spiritual grace. We have not laboured in vain, nor spent our strength for naught, even so far as the manifest present spiritual results of our labours are concerned.

The size of our schools has been much enlarged during the past year. Indeed we have now attained an extent, which may reasonably be the full limit of our desire to increase. To keep up our present number of scholars and teachers, will require a constant vigilance and exertion. And schools of the present size well conducted, are far more desirable, and likely to be far more useful, than much larger ones carried on in a looser system, or with less regularity of control. Our present numbers are as follows:

*Male Department.*

|                          |       |         |       |          |
|--------------------------|-------|---------|-------|----------|
| Bible Class, - - -       | 1     | Teacher | 20    | Scholars |
| Intermediate School, - - | 23    | "       | 175   | "        |
| Infant School, - - -     | 1     | "       | 92    | "        |
| Branch School, - - -     | 13    | "       | 94    | "        |
|                          | <hr/> |         | <hr/> |          |
|                          | 38    |         | 381   |          |

*Female Department.*

|                          |       |         |       |          |
|--------------------------|-------|---------|-------|----------|
| Bible Class, - - -       | 1     | Teacher | 36    | Scholars |
| Intermediate School, - - | 26    | "       | 190   | "        |
| Infant School, - - -     | 1     | "       | 89    | "        |
| Branch School, - - -     | 14    | "       | 108   | "        |
|                          | <hr/> |         | <hr/> |          |
|                          | 42    |         | 423   |          |

This makes a total of 80 Teachers and 804 Scholars, which is an increase over last year, of 17 Teachers, and 200 scholars. Our whole number of Teachers, are communicants in the church. They have exhibited an interest in their undertaking during the past year, in punctuality of attendance, and careful visiting of the scholars, which has been highly encouraging and delightful. In reference to this department of our year's labour, we have the utmost reason also to speak with thankfulness and pleasure. But God has been pleased to make some new inroads upon us, in the death of our teachers, during the past year. The former year recorded the first death among our teachers since the commencement of our schools. We have now, alas, to add two more. Miss Elizabeth Orr, was taken from this life in the month of August. She was present with us at our quarterly meeting in May, and handed in her report for the previous three months, in which she said she had been but once absent during that time. But this meeting was the last time she was at the church. She was taken immediately after with a severe cold, which became immoveably settled into a very rapid consumption; and she lived but three months more of weakness and suffering, before her spirit departed to God who gave it. Her hope was remarkably clear and bright; nor during her whole sickness had she any period of darkness and doubt. She had been for many years an exemplary and assiduous servant of the Lord; and in our schools had been re-

markable through several years, for her uniform punctuality in attendance, and faithfulness in duty. Both her life and her death combined to give the clearest evidence of her interest in Jesus, and her readiness for appearance before him. The other teacher taken from our number, was Mr. C. Rockland Thomson, the valued instructor of our male Bible Class. He had been eminent in our midst, for the spirituality of his mind, and the holiness of his character. In his relation to his class, he was peculiarly important, and remarkably useful. God had been pleased to endow him with unusual genius and ability to teach. He had devoted himself to the work of the ministry, and had nearly completed his preparatory studies. But though likely to be eminently useful on earth, and being actually remarkably useful as a teacher, it pleased his Great God and Saviour to call him to another sphere and to other duties. His health, long feeble, required him to relinquish his class in June; and after a rapid decay of strength, he was taken to his rest early in September, the last Sabbath he was at the house of God, he was engaged with his class, and parted with them finally, though not without the hope still remaining, that he might be able to meet them again in the autumn. In his last report of his class, he remarks upon "his continual satisfaction with the class, and its growing prosperity,"—and also says, "I have observed with especial attention and interest, the deportment of the seven members of the class who united themselves with the disciples of the

Lord, at our late confirmation; and as far as my opportunity of judging extends, I am in all respects satisfied, and trust that they will grow up to be useful and faithful followers of the Lord whom they have professed." His character and influence gave him a strong hold upon the affections of his class; and he will be long remembered by them, with very peculiar regard. It is gratifying to know, that as the hour of his departure approached, his heavenliness of mind and character were remarkably increased and displayed; and in his final hours, he did not so much die as fall asleep in Jesus, whom he had loved. The death of these two of our companions in the work in which we are engaged, should be received by us as motives to increased vigilance and earnestness in our labours; that the master when he cometh may find us watching. But in this painful view of our losses in the year, we cannot forget our other beloved friend, Mrs. Caroline P. Claxton, who was buried in our midst in February last, though she died at a distance from us. She had been actually separated from us for two years. But such was our personal attachment to her, and in such estimation was she held among us, that she seemed still equally to belong to us, as when labouring in our midst. For six years she had been a teacher, and it is no disparagement to others, to express what is the united opinion of us all who were acquainted with her, of all teachers, in every quality which can combine to make a teacher excellent, she surpassed all. Though but a girl

of 15 years of age when she first entered our ranks, her purity of conduct, fervour of piety, maturity of judgment, made her a person of great influence, and gave her a moral power entirely in advance of her years. The beauty of holiness shone in her character to the praise of the glory of a Saviour's grace, and her whole walk in life adorned the profession she had made. She was made the instrument of unusual spiritual good to others. And though the years she spent with us were but the years of youth, yet when life is measured by the work which it accomplishes, her early years must be counted the "honourable age." She left us for a little season, to shine in another station, and before other watchful eyes, and was then returned to us,—her memory coming back laden with the blessings of new admirers of the grace of God in her, and her lifeless body to be deposited by the church she had so much loved, and in which she had been so sincerely loved by others also.

In reviewing the labours of the year, we may first direct our notice to the Bible Classes. These have never been so flourishing at any previous period, as during the year past. The male class has had the place of its teacher supplied, in the person of Mr. B. Bacheller, who has succeeded in keeping up the attention and the interest of the class, in an unexpected manner. We must esteem it a special mercy to have had this place so well and so usefully supplied, after the great breach which had been made upon us, in the death of his predecessor in this po-

sition. The female Bible Class continues under the same Teacher, and prospers greatly. It numbers now 36 young ladies, 11 of whom are professors of religion, and all of whom manifest the deepest interest in their study, and show both the profit which they themselves gain from the occupation, and the unusual adaptation of their teacher to the duties of this station. These two classes which have been always objects of much interest with us, and not a little anxiety, give pleasing encouragement to us, in their present condition, and our present anniversary is mingled with no distress or fears in connexion with them.

The Branch schools have been another object of special interest, and source of much gratification during the year past. In the course of the spring we removed the Female school to a new room at the corner of Schuylkill 7th and Market sts.,—which had been obtained and fitted up, by the efforts of a few of our female teachers in collecting adequate funds. In the month of September we also removed the Male School to another story of the same building in which the Female School was already settled. We have now for them both, accommodations which are entirely satisfactory for comfort and convenience. In their rooms these schools will have every opportunity to prosper and work to advantage. The Female School has also been much favoured, in obtaining for a superintendant, Miss Rebecca Fisher, who has united in our work within the year, and whose care of this

school has already produced an evident advance in its prosperity. By this arrangement, Mr. Porter, is enabled to devote his attention wholly to the male school, and thus each has received all the arrangements which can be adopted to promote its prosperity. The two rooms will hold two hundred children and twenty-six teachers with comfort; and it will be now the object to keep up such a school upon the books, as shall insure an attendance to this extent. The charge of rent for these schools is very high, and a heavy burden upon us. But there seems to be no method yet opened, in which we can do more good with this expense, or in which we can teach these children without it. We are therefore compelled to bear the burden, in the hope that our funds may justify the charge for a purpose so important.

Our other schools are more steady, full, and prosperous than they have ever been. We have made several changes during the year in our teachers and scholars, but have been enabled to keep up the numbers of both, without material difficulty. The two infant schools are models for all who are engaged in the work, for every thing that can be connected with propriety of conduct, both in the school and in the church. The male infant school must be considered in this latter point, as a pattern for all, and we have the utmost pleasure in noticing it, and recording it in our report.

Our missionary collections for the year past have been in the male school, \$75 00; and in the female, \$188 97.

This includes the sums by all the branches in each department. In this contribution, the children in some cases display an unusual interest,—denying themselves the little gratifications of personal indulgence, and bringing the money which they have thus saved, for the missionary collection.

We have been much pleased with the general circulation of the Youth's Penny Gazette, published by the American S. S. Union, 2000 copies of which have been taken and paid for by our scholars during the year past. We purpose to alter this arrangement for the year to come; so that the paper for the whole year shall be paid for in advance. This will be but  $12\frac{1}{2}$  cents, or one half the cost of the payments of one cent on every other week. Most of our children who have been accustomed to take it, will be glad and able to make this change. In cases where there is any difficulty, the Teachers may be able to subscribe for those, and receive the money in return, by the penny contribution, until it has been repaid. Upon this plan, we shall avoid all trouble and care with the paper, except its simple distribution on Sunday.

Our Libraries are all in good order, and require less replenishing and removal than in former years. Our past year's history is filled with interesting facts to us, which have been noticed in our quarterly meetings, and all of which therefore we cannot spread out in this annual report. Among these facts however, we must not omit to mention the death of five of our scholars, in regard to some

whom there was much to interest and animate us. *Three* of these were in the male infant school, and the Teacher says in reference to them, in his quarterly reports:—

“One little boy about nine old was in April last removed from the class by death, his sickness was very violent, and of short duration. I visited him frequently during his sickness, but such was the nature of his disease that I had no opportunity of religious conversation with him. A short time before his death, in reply to a question asked him by his attendants he said, ‘I know the Lord will take care of me.’ I trust that this mysterious visitation of Divine Providence may be sanctified both to myself, and to the children under my care, that I may be more faithful in leading them to Him, who alone is the way and the truth and the life, and that they may be more desirous to lay hold on the only hope that is set before them.”

“Since my last report, two of my class have been removed by death; one of them a boy of seven years old, the child of poor parents, but himself rich in faith and holy confidence in God. The other nine years old, a love boy whose end was peace, giving somewhat remarkable evidence of the power of grace upon the youthful heart. My continued acquaintance with these boys endeared them to me more and more from the time they first came into my charge. I had in my own mind selected them as two of the most amiable boys in my class. As these little ones are thus cut down before me, how great becomes the ob-

ligation on my part, to be faithful in the trust committed to me, how much do I find myself in need of that spirit which God alone can give; may He grant me a far greater abundance of his own glory.”

Two others belonged to the Female Schools, in reference to whom the Superintendent says:

On the 21st of February one of our Scholars was removed from us by death. She was eleven years of age and had been with us more than six years. She was a quiet docile child, fond of the school, of her lessons, and of listening to the truth so often presented to her mind. We know not what root it had taken there, she was unconscious during all her illness, but we have in her departure another solemn testimony to the value of the present moment for effort in behalf of the salvation of our children.”

“One little girl, Gertrude Thomas, has been removed by death. She was eleven years of age, and had been a member of the school for six years. She gave to her friends during her sickness, good evidence of a change of heart. The pastor saw her, and was delighted with her simple acceptance of the hope set before her in the gospel. She gave a parting charge to each member of her family, and sent a message of love to her Sunday School.”

Many other interesting occurrences and reflections might be recorded had we room.

Our ninth annual Sermon was preached by the Rector, on the first Sunday in January, 1844, when the collection amounted to \$257.

The services of our ninth anniversary were even more interesting to us, and gratifying to the congregation than usual. The number of our children, together with their order, propriety, and quietness, won for them the approbation of all who were present. The annual distribution of books gives apparently great satisfaction, and the whole year's work was thus closed up with mutual satisfaction and enjoyment, among all who are in any way connected with our schools.

We now enter upon our tenth year's labour in this relation;—and no previous year has commenced with such remarkable encouragement and reason for hope. Harmony and love are reigning undisturbed among us. Order and decorum mark our schools in a very unusual degree. Teachers seem to be engaged with sincere devotion in their task, and we wait only for that blessing from on high which alone can give us the desired increase. O that we might be led more to regard a Saviour's glory, and to seek in every effort, to hold him up to view; and to bring the souls of others within the attraction of his love. Soon will our years of earthly labour be completed. Happy shall we then be, if we can reflect upon life, as wholly employed in setting forth the honour of his name, who will then be seen to fill eternity with his glory, and to give to redeemed saints, all their triumph and joy. Let us in every Sabbath's instruction, seek in closet prayer, that our hearts may be inditing, and our tongues may be instructed like the pen of a ready writer, to speak the things which concern our glorious Lord and King.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LIBRARIES.

*Distributed by the Church of the Epiphany.*

|                                                     |                       |    |    |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----|----|
| Laurel, Marengo Co., Ala., per Z. Locke,            | -                     | 25 | 00 |
| Columbia, Tenn., for Rev. Mr. Smith, Principal      |                       |    |    |
| for the Young Ladies' Library,                      | -                     | 50 | 00 |
| Jubilee College, Ill., for Rev. E. A. Strong,       | -                     | 10 | 00 |
| Louisville, Ky. Suburbs,                            | } per Rev. Charles H. | 10 | 00 |
| Jeffersonville, Ind.,                               |                       | 10 | 00 |
|                                                     | } Page, Missionary,   |    |    |
| Bloomington, Iowa, for Samuel Shewell,              | -                     | 10 | 00 |
| Basseterre, St. Kitts, West Indies, for Miss E. R.  |                       |    |    |
| Rickersecher, Moravian Mission,                     | -                     | 15 | 00 |
| Huron, O., Rev. S. Marks through Dr. Milnor         |                       |    |    |
| who gave a contribution also,                       | -                     | 10 | 00 |
| Danville, Ky., Rev. M. F. Maury, Miss. of Dom.      |                       |    |    |
| Bd. of Miss. Epis. Ch.                              | -                     | 5  | 00 |
| Batavia, Ill., Rev. M. Allanson, Miss., on applica- |                       |    |    |
| tion of Bishop Eastburn,                            | -                     | 5  | 00 |
| Covington, Ky., Rev. Mr. Moore, new Epis. Ch.       |                       | 20 | 00 |
| Berkley, N. J., St. Peter's Ch.                     | } Rev. Mr. Harrold,   |    |    |
| Chew's Landing, St. John's,                         |                       | 15 | 00 |
|                                                     | } each 7              |    |    |
| Leavenworth, Ind., Rev. J. W. Drummond,             |                       |    |    |
| through Sec. and Gen. Agent of Dom. Brd.            |                       | 10 | 00 |
| Mills' Point, Ky., Rev. W. W. Cowgill, on Miss.     |                       |    |    |
| River, through Mr. Harris, Sec.                     | -                     | 10 | 00 |
| Wilksbarre, Pa., Rev. R. B. Claxton,                | -                     | 20 | 00 |
| Athens, Geo. Rev. W. B. Stevens,                    | } through             |    |    |
| Clarkville, Geo., J. B. Gallagher,                  |                       | 25 | 00 |
| Marrietta, Geo., T. F. Scott,                       |                       |    |    |
|                                                     | Elliott,*             |    |    |

\* These are the contributions of the Young Ladies' Bible Class.

|                                               |          |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------|
| Kent Co., Md., St. Paul's Parish, Rev. Thomas |          |
| B. Flower, - - - -                            | 10 00    |
| Lancaster Co., Pa., Elizabeth Iron Works      | 20 00    |
| Manchester, a manufacturing village, Rev. W.  |          |
| H. Moore, Miss. new Epis. Church,             | 5 00     |
|                                               | <hr/>    |
|                                               | \$285 00 |

With one exception, these donations have been made to Sunday Schools in connexion with the Episcopal Church, and have brought into extensive use nearly 2000 volumes.

Z. Locke, Treasurer, in act. with S. S. Association of the Church of the Epiphany:

| 1843.                                  | Dr.      |
|----------------------------------------|----------|
| Jan. 2, To Balance from last year, - - | 2 50     |
| 2, Cash rec. of Mr. L. R. Ashhurst for |          |
| Hymn Books, - - -                      | 10       |
| 23, " rec. Parish Treasury, - -        | 229 42   |
| April 18, " " per Rev. Dr. Tyng, -     | 10 00    |
| June 5, " " of Mr. Clay for Bible, -   | 50       |
| Sept. 5, " " Parish Treasury, - -      | 15 00    |
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|                                        | \$257 52 |

| 1843.                                      | Cr.      |
|--------------------------------------------|----------|
| Jan. 2, By Cash and Bill for Bookcase for  |          |
| Branch School, - - -                       | 2 75     |
| 2, " Cash and Bill for Benches for         |          |
| Branch School, - - -                       | 4 82     |
| 17, " " and Bill for 1 qr. rent of Br.     |          |
| School room, due 15th Dec. -               | 18 75    |
| 23, " Cash and Bill for Chairs for do:     | 2 70     |
| 23, " " " Wood, -                          | 3 00     |
| 23, " " Am. S. S. Union on act.            |          |
| of Bill for 1842, - - -                    | 200 00   |
| Aug. 21, " Cash for 6 months' rent for Br. |          |
| School room, 15th June, - -                | 25 00    |
| By balance in Treasurer's hand,            | 50       |
|                                            | <hr/>    |
| E. E.                                      | \$257 52 |

Philadelphia, Dec. 7th, 1842.

### BENEVOLENT OPERATIONS.

The various collections of the past year have been according to the following account of Mr. Zebulon Locke, the Parish Treasurer.

|                                        |          |
|----------------------------------------|----------|
| Collections for Foreign Missions, - -  | \$184 49 |
| Collections for Domestic Missions, - - | 139 70   |
| Collection for Kenyon College, - -     | 900 00   |
| Donation for Africa, - - - -           | 20 00    |

|                                                                    |         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| For Education of Isaac Cannell in Africa,                          | 20 00   |
| Ladies' Sewing Society, - - -                                      | 275 00  |
| Wednesday Evening Collections, - -                                 | 106 64  |
| Donation for the Church of the Evangelists,                        | 75 00   |
| Collections for General Purposes, - -                              | 376 00  |
| Donations for Education of Candidates for<br>the Ministry, - - - - | 75 00   |
| Collection for Bible Society, - - -                                | 87 17   |
| "    " Prayer Book Society, - -                                    | 52 28   |
| "    from the Sunday School Children<br>for Missions, - - - -      | 245 50  |
| "    for Sunday Schools of the Church<br>of the Epiphany, - - - -  | 318 60  |
| Collection for Sunday Schools, - - -                               | 183 79  |
| "    for Parish Missionary, - - -                                  | 358 00  |
| Donation for Education of Sarah L. Smith<br>in Africa, - - - - -   | 20 00   |
| Collection for Episcopal and Convention Fund,                      | 67 13   |
|                                                                    | <hr/>   |
|                                                                    | 3504 32 |
| Balance on hand last year, - - -                                   | 10 91   |

\$3515 23

Paid by orders from the Rector,—

|                                              |       |
|----------------------------------------------|-------|
| To Trinity Church, Monroe, Michigan, - -     | 10 00 |
| " St. Mark's Church, Augusta, Maine, - -     | 50 00 |
| " Church in Springville, Penn., - - -        | 5 00  |
| " Treasury of Episcopal and Convention Fund, | 67 13 |

|                                                     |         |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------|
| To Female Prayer Book Society, - - -                | 25 00   |
| " Church of the Evangelists, Philada., - -          | 25 00   |
| " St. Bartholomew's Church, Philada., - -           | 25 00   |
| " Church in Richmond, Indiana, - - -                | 5 00    |
| " Bishop White Prayer Book Society, - -             | 50 00   |
| " Church in Davenport, Iowa, - - -                  | 25 00   |
| " Mission to Africa, - - - -                        | 250 00  |
| " Bishop McIlvaine for Kenyon College,              | 900 00  |
| " Pennsylvania Bible Society, - - -                 | 90 00   |
| " Mission to China, - - - -                         | 250 00  |
| " American S. S. Union - - - -                      | 184 00  |
| " London Jews Society, - - - -                      | 96 83   |
| " Mission to Africa for education of five child'n., | 100 00  |
| " Parish Missionary, - - - -                        | 300 00  |
| " Education of young men for the ministry, -        | 254 50  |
| " Sunday Schools of Church of the Epiphany,         | 405 49  |
| " Mission to Greece, Education of a beneficiary,    | 80 00   |
| " Mission to Greece, - - - -                        | 117 28  |
| " Emanuel Church, Kensington, - - -                 | 100 00  |
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## SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DORCAS SOCIETY OF THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

In recalling the proceedings of another season we have nothing to recount but an accumulation of favors. The Society has more than any proceeding year, enlisted the

attention and interest of our Church members. We now number 56, and though the comparative attendance is small, we are aware that we have many effectual helpers among those whose domestic cares are too arduous to allow punctuality at the weekly meetings. We think, however, they are deprived of much of that sympathy of feeling and encouragement to action, which usually prevail with united exertion. Our efforts have been mostly confined to the Sunday School—and in this we have aided from 125 to 150 families. To most of them repeated assistance has been rendered.

Seven hundred and twenty-seven garments have been distributed, (and so far as we can learn,) to worthy and honest persons.

We have received \$80 50 cts. from subscriptions, \$77 00 in donations,—whole amount, \$157 50 cts. Expenditures, \$149 29, leaving balance in hand, \$8 22. As donations in materials we have had:—5½ pieces of calico, 3 of muslin, 2 of flannel, 2 of Canton Flannel, 2 of plaid worsted, 35 yds. of Kentucky jeans, 1 piece of Linsey, 25 yds. of Linsey, 16 yds. of merino, 20 of cassimere, half piece of beaverteen, 24 mitts, 1 doz. pr. suspenders, 2 doz. comforts, 1 gross bone buttons, 3 shawls, 3 cloaks, 12 hoods, 5 pr. knit stockings, 1 dress, 7 infants' garments.

We return most cordially our acknowledgments for the kind co-operations of those around us, and for the remarkable circumspection of our Sabbath School Teachers.

Hitherto a gracious Providence has not been unmindful of our hearts, and we still look to the same strong

arm to arrest all difficulties and supply our necessities.  
March 27, 1844.

### LADIES' SEWING SOCIETY.

The following is an account of the receipts and expenditures of the Sewing Society from its first formation until the present year.

| TOTAL RECEIPTS.                             |                    | DONATIONS. |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------|
| 1836                                        | 90 87              | 60 00      |
| 1837                                        | 177 50             | 125 00     |
| 1838                                        | 415 34             | 250 00     |
| 1839                                        | 406 77             | 250 00     |
| 1840                                        | 332 57             | 200 00     |
| 1841                                        | 379 18             | 225 00     |
| 1842                                        | 343 06             | 200 00     |
| 1843                                        | 361 63             | 250 00     |
| 1844                                        | 290 19             | 200 00     |
| 2797 11                                     |                    | 1760 00    |
| <i>April, 1844.</i>                         |                    |            |
| From April, 1843 to March 20, 1844.         |                    |            |
| Dr.                                         | Cr.                |            |
| To balance deficient last year, - - - - ,85 | African Mission,   | 200 00     |
| Subscriptions - 20 00                       | Materials, - -     | 72 79      |
| Donations & sales, 270 19                   | Balance remaining, | 18 25      |
|                                             |                    |            |
|                                             | 291 04             | 291 04     |

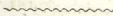
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PASTORAL REPORT  
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BY

THE RECTOR.



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## NOTICE.

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THIS is the eleventh of an annual series to be printed alike and presented to the congregation at Easter in every year. If they are preserved, each member of the congregation will have a complete history of the Church from its commencement. Any members of the congregation who have not received the previous reports, may obtain them by applying to the sexton.

The following named gentlemen compose the Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, elected on Easter-Monday, March 24, 1845:—

|                      |                          |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| LEWIS R. ASHHURST,   | } <i>Church Wardens.</i> |
| CASPAR MORRIS,       |                          |
| WILLIAM MUSGRAVE,    |                          |
| FREDERICK W. PORTER, |                          |
| THOMAS S. TAYLOR,    |                          |
| GEORGE B. REESE,     |                          |
| SAMUEL HAZLEHURST,   |                          |
| CHARLES WILLIAMS,    |                          |
| ZEBULON LOCKE,       |                          |
| ALLIN ROBINETT,      |                          |
| MATTHEW T. MILLER,   |                          |
| LEONARD KIMBALL.     |                          |

*Organist,*  
CHARLES JARVIS.

*Sexton.*  
JACOB LEIDY.

## CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

EASTER, 1845.

## MARRIAGES.

I officiated at *nine* marriages during the year. The Rev. Mr. VAN PELT at *one*, making *ten* in all.

## BAPTISMS.

I baptized *three* adults and *fifty-two* infants, making *fifty-five*.

## CONFIRMATION.

The Rt. Rev. BISHOP LEE, of Delaware, administered the rite of confirmation to the following *twenty-four* persons; to *twenty-two*, on Sunday, March 16th, and to *two* subsequently at St. Paul's Church, making *four hundred and eighty-eight* persons who have been confirmed in this church.

|                          |                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| René Guillou,            | Ann Ralston,             |
| Mrs. Cynthia A. Guillou, | Hannah Matlack,          |
| Letitia Whaley,          | Louisa C. Butler,        |
| Mrs. Mary Ann Donaghy,   | James Kearney,           |
| George M'Cabe,           | George Herman Robinett,  |
| Mrs. Ann M'Cabe,         | Mrs. Mary Ann Town,      |
| Catharine Watnough,      | Sarah M. Taylor,         |
| Mary Cheston,            | Elizabeth Olivia Hickey, |
| Julia Emma Van Pelt,     | Mary Patterson,          |
| Harriet Coleman,         | Elizabeth Young,         |
| Margaret Sharp,          | Robert Connor,           |
| Mary Ralston,            | Mrs. Rebecca Davids.     |

### COMMUNICANTS.

The number of communicants reported last year was *six hundred and six*. Of these, *seven* have been removed by death, and *twenty-one* have either withdrawn, or gone to other churches, leaving of that number, *five hundred and seventy-eight*. To these, there have been added *thirty-six*, making the present number *six hundred and fourteen*, as follows:—

*First year from August, 1834, to Easter, 1835.*

|                      |                           |
|----------------------|---------------------------|
| Lewis R. Ashhurst,   | Mrs. Eleanor B. Musgrave, |
| Mrs. Mary Ashhurst,  | Thomas S. Taylor,         |
| Caspar Morris, M. D. | Mrs. Mary M. Taylor,      |
| Mrs. Ann C. Morris,  | Zebulon Locke,            |
| William Musgrave,    | Mrs. Harriet Locke,       |

|                       |                            |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| Mrs. Grace Gill,      | Mrs. Catharine Pierce,     |
| Mrs. Ann Hosea,       | Mrs. Susan W. Tyng,        |
| Jane Town,            | Eliza Holtzbecher,         |
| Mrs. Sarah M. Oliver, | Ann McNicoll,              |
| Isabella C. Town,     | Mrs. Elizabeth Bellingham, |
| Mrs. Juliana Good,    | Mrs. Elizabeth Montgomery, |
| Sarah E. Ashley,      | Lloyd Bankson,             |
| Marianne Walker,      | Mrs. Salome W. Bankson,    |
| Mrs. Jane Metcalf,    | Mrs. Mary Gerraty,         |
| Mary A. Mingle,       | Mrs. Harriet S. Watson,    |
| Mary Elizabeth Gill,  | Mrs. Louisa Duane,         |
| Charlotte M. Ashley,  | Mrs. Sophia Latimer,       |
| Mrs. Ann Jones,       | Louisa Secrets,            |
| Mrs. Ann Hinds,       | Mrs. Elizabeth Patchell,   |
| Abner Elmes,          | Joshua Cowpland,           |
| Mrs. Maria Elmes,     | Frederick W. Porter,       |
| Caroline K. Elmes,    | Mrs. Sarah C. Porter,      |
| Mrs. Lucy Russell,    | Martha C. Hulme. 47        |
| Mrs. Mary Stevenson,  |                            |

*Second year, from Easter 1835 to Easter 1836.*

|                         |                           |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| John Hockley,           | Mrs. Marinda A. Bicknell, |
| Mrs. Catharine Hockley, | Ellen S. Rand,            |
| Mrs. Mary Hockley,      | William T. Elbert,        |
| Mrs. Ann Johnson,       | Mrs. Mary Ann Murray,     |
| Matthew T. Miller,      | Ann Barrington,           |
| Adam Seed,              | Margaret M. Haven,        |
| Mrs. Eliza Seed,        | William Duane,            |

|                        |                          |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Lewis Lewis,           | John McGarvey,           |
| Mrs. Abigail Wells,    | William P. Smith,        |
| Mrs. Matilda Dillard,  | Mrs. Anna Maria Smith,   |
| Mrs. Jane C. Nekervis, | George W. Montgomery. 23 |
| Robert Connor,         |                          |

*Third year, from Easter 1836 to Easter 1837.*

|                           |                        |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Mrs. Harriet Coleman,     | Francis B. Stockton,   |
| Mrs. Wil'ma. E. McElwee,  | Mrs. Eliza S. Ashton,  |
| Mrs. Anna E. Price,       | Charles Jacobs,        |
| Frances N. Hoope,         | Mrs. Elizabeth Spence, |
| Charlotte Dobell,         | Samuel Potts,          |
| Harriet McNeal,           | Ann E. Wilmer,         |
| Mrs. Frances H. Richards, | Mary S. Cannell,       |
| Mrs. Amanda M. Eckford,   | Paul G. Oliver,        |
| John Murray,              | Mrs. Ann Kirkpatrick,  |
| Mrs. Mary M. Brinton,     | Anthony McGarvey,      |
| Samuel Hazlehurst,        | Mrs. Sarah Young,      |
| Elizabeth M. Hazlehurst,  | Ann Young,             |
| Mrs. Aletta Bispham,      | John Anderson,         |
| Jacob Leidy,              | Eliza Shields,         |
| Mrs. Rebecca L. Bringham, | James McGarvey,        |
| Mary Ann Mehl,            | William Wadsworth,     |
| Mrs. Maria McIlvaine,     | Mrs. Mary Wadsworth,   |
| Mrs. Margaret Smyth,      | John J. Reese,         |
| Jane Ann Galbraith,       | George B. Reese,       |
| Mrs. Caroline Jones,      | Mrs. Margaret Reese,   |
| Mrs. Eliza Morton,        | Richard O'Donnell,     |

|                     |                             |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| Mrs. Ann M. Dawson, | Mrs. Mary M. Simmons.       |
| Mary Musgrave,      | Mrs. Harriet Henry,         |
| Hester Orr,         | Mrs. Elizabeth Northrop. 49 |
| Mrs. Maria Newell,  |                             |

*Fourth year, Easter 1837 to Easter 1838.*

|                           |                           |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Mrs. Mary C. Elbert,      | Mary White,               |
| Frederick Fairthorne,     | Catharine White,          |
| William Spence,           | Mrs. Maria M. Mitchell,   |
| Mrs. Margaret Spence,     | William McIntyre,         |
| Susan Gwinn,              | Thomas Moore,             |
| Thomas Metcalf,           | Mary Swain,               |
| Mrs. Frances Ann Pollard, | Mary Morrison,            |
| Mrs. Ann Robbins,         | Mrs. Eliza Y. McAllister, |
| Robert Ellis,             | Josephine L. Patullo,     |
| Mrs. Margaret Ellis,      | Rebecca J. Elbert,        |
| Leonard Kimball,          | Eliza English,            |
| Mrs. Sarah Y. Kimball,    | Sarah Goodfellow,         |
| Lydia Ann Gilbert,        | Cornelia Elizabeth Smith, |
| Mary Ann McGarvey,        | Williamina Smith,         |
| Mrs. Anna B. Stockton,    | Margaret Montgomery,      |
| Mrs. Hannah Hight,        | Margaret Crawford,        |
| Eliza Ann Randall,        | Eliza Moore,              |
| Anna B. Caldwell,         | Ann Barr,                 |
| James McCutcheon,         | Mrs. Angelica Godman,     |
| Jane Freel,               | Mrs. Catharine O'Donnell, |
| Catharine Larue,          | Mrs. Eleanor A. Simes. 42 |

*Fifth year, Easter 1838 to Easter 1839.*

|                            |                            |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Anna Armstrong,            | John H. Black,             |
| Sophia A. Cotton,          | Mrs. Janette Black,        |
| Mrs. Caroline Miller,      | Elizabeth McAllister,      |
| Mrs. Sarah A. Montgomery,  | Ann Eliza Nekervis,        |
| Mrs. Hannah Grasby,        | Allin Robinett,            |
| Elizabeth E. Grasby,       | Mrs. Matilda L. Robinett,  |
| Mary C. Sprogell,          | Sarah McCullough,          |
| Mary Wallace,              | James Young,               |
| Mrs. Matilda McIlvaine,    | Mrs. Rebecca Young,        |
| Mrs. Mary P. Fisher,       | John Ellis,                |
| Ann Orr,                   | Mrs. Mary Prince,          |
| Mrs. Sarah Smith,          | Martha Ann Jackson,        |
| Mrs. Ann Thomas,           | Jane Smyth,                |
| Mrs. Gertrude O. Phillips, | Rebecca Smyth,             |
| Mrs. Margaret Patullo,     | Mrs. Margaret Bell,        |
| Mrs. Susan Wrigley,        | Alphonso Shubert,          |
| Mrs. Ruth Warren,          | Mrs. Caroline Shubert,     |
| Mrs. Maria Morris,         | Sarah R. Prince,           |
| Mrs. Catharine Stewart,    | Mrs. Rebecca A. Abbott. 39 |
| Mary Hart,                 |                            |

*Sixth year, Easter 1839 to Easter 1840.*

|                        |                       |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Emma P. Rand,          | Robert McConnell,     |
| Mrs. Rebecca J. Smith, | Bridget Boyle,        |
| Anna Elizabeth Tyng,   | Mrs. Mary Ann Warren, |
| Catharine Boyd,        | Margaret Jane Graves, |

|                          |                         |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Mrs. Deidamia Morton,    | Richard Wells,          |
| Mrs. Elizabeth R. Tutt,  | John Tanguy,            |
| Anna V. Groves,          | Mrs. Cynthia Jackson,   |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Leidy,    | Mrs. Adelaide Barnes,   |
| Mrs. Ann L. Philips,     | Mrs. Eliza A. Connelly, |
| Sarah Jane Pierce,       | Mrs. Eleanor Little,    |
| Mrs. Anna P. Ford,       | Esther Faa,             |
| Rebecca Humphreys,       | Richard McGlathery,     |
| Mrs. Margaret Brown,     | Mary V. Carless,        |
| Mrs. Catharine Thompson, | Mrs. Mary Ann Wheeler,  |
| Eliza Robinson,          | Eunice Anderson,        |
| Mrs. Sarah Pratt,        | William Thaw,           |
| Mary Spencer,            | Harriet A. Thaw,        |
| Mrs. Susannah C. Brown,  | James Kirkpatrick,      |
| Mary B. H. Padelford,    | Mrs. Elizabeth Bowen,   |
| Ann C. Brown,            | Elias Brown. 40         |

*Seventh year, Easter 1840 to Easter 1841.*

|                          |                      |
|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Jane Denmark,            | Abraham Hancker,     |
| Walter Kerr Halstead,    | Mrs. Ann Hancker,    |
| Mrs. Eleanor Barrington, | Harrison Bailey,     |
| Jane Black,              | Sarah McClure,       |
| Milton Smith,            | Mrs. Mary S. Smith,  |
| Eleanor Godman,          | Mrs. Esther Neilson, |
| Marion H. Rand,          | E. Matilda L. Elwyn, |
| Elizabeth Ferguson,      | James Love,          |
| Joseph K. Eyre,          | James T. Allen,      |
| Mary Ann Myles,          | William Nekervis,    |

|                          |                        |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Samuel L. Tanguy,        | Mrs. Jane Robinson,    |
| Sarah Huston,            | Margaret Weldom,       |
| William Furey,           | Mary McKeague,         |
| John McCouch,            | Sarah M'Leary,         |
| George S. Hassan,        | Mrs. Eliza Osborne,    |
| James McClaranan,        | Mrs. Lydia N. Safford, |
| Mrs. Maria McClaranan,   | William E. Bowen,      |
| Letitia Lawson,          | Helen Hughes,          |
| Margaret Reilly,         | William F. Bryant,     |
| Mrs. Anna M. H. Hoskins, | Mrs. Rachel Bryant,    |
| Mary Elizabeth Russell,  | Mrs. Mary Ann Jarvis,  |
| Mrs. Mary Dilworth,      | Mary Seed,             |
| Helen M. Colton,         | Henrietta C. Long,     |
| Sally A. Gibson,         | Mrs. Ann A. Shaw,      |
| George W. Halstead,      | Thomas Furey.          |
| George Robinson,         |                        |

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*Eighth year, from Easter 1841 to Easter 1842.*

|                            |                         |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| William Moore,             | Mrs. Rebecca Thompson,  |
| Mary Moore,                | William Whaley,         |
| John Goddard,              | Ellen Whaley,           |
| Dudley A. Tyng,            | Sarah Whaley,           |
| Rachel J. Bryant,          | Mary Jane Whaley,       |
| Mary Donnell,              | Mrs. Elizabeth D. Read, |
| Sarah Weir,                | Harriet Howell,         |
| Mrs. Elizabeth McGlathery, | Mrs. Amelia W. Smith,   |
| Eliza Barclay,             | Mary A. Brown,          |
| George H. Thompson.        | George W. North,        |

|                          |                              |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Mrs. Catharine M. North, | Mary E. Thomas,              |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Barton,   | Mrs. Martha Taylor,          |
| Peter Field,             | Mrs. Jane Anderson,          |
| Mrs. Margaret Field,     | Mrs. Carol'e. E. Hazlehurst, |
| Mrs. Jane Field,         | Emily Hazlehurst,            |
| Joseph Bryant,           | Harriet C. Stevenson,        |
| William H. Allen,        | Theodosia Gill,              |
| James McNicholl,         | William H. Ashhurst,         |
| Thomas Pilson,           | Mrs. Elizabeth K. Ashhurst,  |
| Alexander McGarvey,      | Eliza Crawford,              |
| Samuel Griffiths Wells,  | Agnes Y. McAllister,         |
| William Woodward,        | Elizabeth Arrott,            |
| Archibald Beatty,        | Mrs. Cornelia Clay,          |
| Robert James Parvin,     | Mrs. Rachel Patchell,        |
| Hancock Smith,           | Mrs. Mary Candy,             |
| Mrs. Anna Smith,         | Dorothea Field,              |
| Algernon E. Ashburner,   | Mrs. Mary G. Murphy,         |
| Lloyd P. Smith,          | Mrs. Rowland N. Davis,       |
| Alexander Anderson,      | Sophia McIlhenny,            |
| Thomas Wheeler,          | Mary Ann Hazlett,            |
| James Patchell,          | Catharine McCouch,           |
| Mrs. Catharine Richards, | Rebecca McCouch,             |
| Mrs. Cornelia B. Colton, | James Clark,                 |
| Aneline Burns,           | Francis Wells,               |
| Mary Jane Riddle,        | Rebecca G. Tunis,            |
| Mrs. Margaretta Bird,    | Mrs. Susann. N. Van Poole,   |
| Mary McGarvey,           | Amelia Morris,               |
| Margaret E. Donnell,     | Mrs. Katharine A. Olmsted,   |

|                      |                       |    |
|----------------------|-----------------------|----|
| Ann Brunton,         | Jane Ellis,           |    |
| Mrs. Isabella Gibb,  | Caroline A. Rogers,   |    |
| Mrs. Sally F. Lewis, | Jane C. Nekervis,     |    |
| William Deviney,     | Margaret McDougall,   |    |
| Anna B. Colton,      | Elizabeth L. Gilbert, |    |
| Isabella Hagerty,    | Jane Pilson,          |    |
| Julia G. Prince,     | John Myles.           | 90 |

*Ninth* year, from Easter 1842 to Easter 1843.

|                           |                           |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Edward Olmsted,           | Harriet A. Mitchell,      |
| William B. Musgrave,      | Mrs. Mary Woodward,       |
| Elizabeth Wallen,         | Sarah Blackiston,         |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Jacobs,    | Mrs. Martha Blackiston,   |
| Mrs. Ellen M. Mayberry,   | Everina Sharp,            |
| Richard B. Tschudy,       | Jane McCandless,          |
| Eleanor Tschudy,          | John Kirkpatrick,         |
| Nicholas K. Wade,         | Mrs. Rebecca Kirkpatrick, |
| Lois Jane Wade,           | Mrs. Lydia Phillips,      |
| William Hunter,           | Sarah Hassan,             |
| Mrs. Ann Hunter,          | Mrs. Elizabeth Ashhurst,  |
| Mrs. Maria Pinckney,      | Mrs. Katharine H. Bowie,  |
| Valentine McNutt,         | Mrs. Mary A. McEuen,      |
| Elizabeth Blacknell,      | Mrs. Louisa C. Jackson,   |
| Ann Hutchinson,           | Mary McKnight,            |
| Catharine Goudy,          | John Brown,               |
| William Silcox,           | Joseph A. Clay,           |
| Mrs. Mary Furey,          | Emily Palmer,             |
| Mrs. Margaret C. Newbold, | Margaret Charlton,        |

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|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Annie Coleman,           | Mary Kirkpatrick,           |
| Eliza Kirkpatrick,       | Anna Maria Peake,           |
| Margaret Black,          | Jane Mahaffey,              |
| Elizabeth Butler,        | Matilda Hamilton,           |
| Catharine T. Butler,     | Elizabeth French,           |
| Elizabeth Y. Campion,    | Margaret Ingard,            |
| Sarah M. Stoever,        | Rachel Connor,              |
| Ellen Harper,            | Gardiner Marks,             |
| Mrs. Anne Hale,          | Margaret Robb,              |
| William Gibson, M. D.    | Eliza W. Brown,             |
| Elizabeth D. Pettit,     | Mary Armstrong,             |
| William H. Moore,        | Mrs. Ann Colquhoun,         |
| Mrs. Hannah Moore,       | Ann McKeague,               |
| Janet Goddard,           | Jane Davis,                 |
| George Pierce,           | Mrs. Ann Eliza Tunis,       |
| Thomas Stuart,           | John Fowler,                |
| Alexander McIlhenny,     | Mrs. Savilla Fowler,        |
| Eliza Euen McAllister,   | Theodore Trewendt,          |
| Elizabeth Christie,      | Mrs. Mary Trewendt,         |
| Susan Christie,          | Mrs. Sarah N. Gibson,       |
| Martha Mahaffey,         | John B. Stout,              |
| Mrs. Margaret McCouch,   | Mrs. Harriet Carroll,       |
| David Hazel,             | Henry C. Schnebly,          |
| Mrs. Elizabeth R. Hazel, | Mrs. Henrietta N. Schnebly, |
| Paul Stewart,            | Lavinia Schnebly,           |
| Mrs. Mary Stewart,       | Dorinda Schnebly,           |
| John Loughead,           | Jeremiah Butler,            |
| Sarah Gear,              | Mrs. Elizabeth Butler,      |

|                      |                             |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Edward L. Lycett,    | Mrs. Clarinda Whitney,      |
| Mrs. Cora L. Barton, | Sarah Williams,             |
| Mrs. Anna B. Stuart, | Charles Eldred,             |
| Asa Whitney,         | Mrs. Margar. E. Eldred, 104 |

*Tenth year, from Easter 1843 to Easter 1844.*

|                             |                         |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Margaret Patullo,           | Hannah Loughhead,       |
| Louisa Martha Taylor,       | Rosanna McBraid,        |
| James O. Donohue,           | Jane Aiken,             |
| Robert Wade,                | Isaac Hazlehurst,       |
| Eliza Whitney,              | Robert Nixon,           |
| William Gibson,             | Rachel Hill,            |
| Elizabeth Westcott,         | George Kearney,         |
| Alice E. Colquhoun,         | Isabella Orr,           |
| William Montgomery,         | Mrs. Elizabeth Simmons, |
| Mary Ann Christie,          | Jane McMinn,            |
| James S. Kirkpatrick,       | Mary Ann Patchell,      |
| Elias H. Brown,             | Mary Ann Welsh,         |
| Rowland H. Brown,           | Mary Jane McMullin,     |
| William J. Brown,           | Mary Ann Hutchinson,    |
| Mary Sherman,               | Eliza Gibson,           |
| Jabez Harraden,             | Mrs. Lavinia Evans,     |
| Mrs. Charlotte P. Harraden, | Phoebe Ann Robbins,     |
| Alfred Mulligan,            | Mrs. Janet Beath,       |
| Alexander G. Tyng,          | Helen Bonsall,          |
| Joseph Richards,            | Mrs. Susanna Detra,     |
| Sarah Y. McElwee,           | Francina H. Cheston,    |
| Mrs. Margaret I. Sargent,   | David Thompson,         |

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|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Carlotta Matthews,        | Janette Hulme,            |
| Sarah Robb,               | Mrs. Sarah Pepper,        |
| Mrs. Charlotte Mason,     | Lucy V. Byrd,             |
| William B. Storm,         | William Newbold,          |
| Mrs. Cleantha Storm,      | Mrs. Sarah A. Newbold,    |
| Mrs. Agnes Hassan,        | Rev. Caleb J. Good,       |
| Gustavus V. Town,         | Harriet Richards,         |
| Mrs. Elizabeth W. Thayer, | Mrs. Jane Read,           |
| Mrs. Amelia Jennings,     | Rebecca J. Milner,        |
| Mrs. Caroline Jennings,   | Elizabeth Whelen,         |
| Mary Montgomery,          | Mrs. Abby A. K. Van Pelt, |
| Mrs. Ann Robinson,        | Elizabeth D. Van Pelt,    |
| Frances McNutt,           | Catharine McCouch,        |
| Lydia Phillips,           | Sarah R. Peters,          |
| Anna Cowpland,            | Mary Delany,              |
| Eliza Wood,               | Ann Armstrong,            |
| Jane Smith,               | Mrs. Margaret N. Kelly,   |
| John E. Bispham,          | Angel M. Smyth,           |
| Mrs. Rebecca Hazlehurst,  | Mary Dever,               |
| George Harbeson,          | Mrs. Harriet D. Allen,    |
| Mrs. Mary Harbeson,       | Benjamin Ashburner,       |
| William Lincoln,          | Mrs. Maria Ashburner,     |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Lincoln,   | Charlotte Wood,           |
| Ann Jane Smith,           | Agnes Boulton.            |
| Ann McAffray,             |                           |

*Eleventh year, from Easter 1844 to Easter 1845.*

|                       |                |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| Mrs. Mary P. Norris,  | John Furey,    |
| Mrs. Mary M. Wallace, | Adam Marshall, |

|                          |                                  |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Hannah Williamson,       | Mrs. Ann McCabe,                 |
| James Kearney,           | Margaret Sharp,                  |
| Mary Newell,             | Mary Ralston,                    |
| William A. Newbold,      | Ann Ralston,                     |
| John L. Hood,            | Hannah Matlack,                  |
| Maria D. Prince,         | Louisa C. Butler,                |
| Breed Batchellor,        | Elizabeth Olivia Hickey,         |
| Elvira Brown,            | Elizabeth Young,                 |
| Elizabeth McCabe,        | Robert Connor,                   |
| Eliza Andrews,           | Mrs. Rebecca Davids,             |
| Caroline F. Rodgers,     | Mrs. Mary A. Town,               |
| René Guillou,            | <i>Mrs. Elizabeth Andrews,</i>   |
| Mrs. Cynthia A. Guillou, | <i>Mrs. H. P. Buchanan,</i>      |
| Letitia Whaley,          | <i>James Christie,</i>           |
| Mrs. Mary Ann Donaghy,   | <i>Richard Graham,</i>           |
| George McCabe,           | <i>Mrs. Elizabeth Graham. 36</i> |

The names in Italics are of persons received from other churches. The others are new communicants. The total number who have been received at the Lord's table in this church, is 836. From other churches, 295. New communicants, 541.

# TENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUNDAYSCHOOL ASSOCIATION OF THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

January 1, 1845.

FEW of the relations we occupy in life have probably afforded us more real and continued pleasure, than our connexion as Teachers in the Sunday Schools of this church. Though each year has made its necessary changes in the individuals who have thus united together, there has been no change in the uniform character, and mutual feeling of those who have been successively engaged. We have gone through ten years labour with no single circumstance occasioning sorrow to our hearts, except those changes which the wise providence of God has caused by the departure of beloved teachers from the earth. We desire to record it, as the result of ten years' experience in one of the largest and most active and flourishing schools in the United States,—that we have never had a single instance of bitterness, or quarrel, or clamour,—or so far as we know, even of misunderstanding, or offence. We have lived and laboured together in perfect harmony and unbroken peace, and our mutual confidence,

we believe, remains wholly uninterrupted and sincere. To a very great extent, this favourable state of things has been owing to the gracious Providence which has continued our two superintendents unchanged, from the beginning of our effort, and allowed us labourers in this peculiarly important relation, so competently qualified, and so fully entitled to our respect and affection. And we now close our tenth year with the spirit of unfeigned gratitude for the mercy which has kept us together in health and being, for usefulness in the work of God, through another year.

The past year has been a remarkable one in many aspects of our work. And of all the years which have preceded it, we can look back upon none with more just satisfaction and thanksgiving. For though the number of our scholars is not so large, as at the close of the previous year,—the arrangements, and influence of our schools have become decidedly more effective and valuable. Our last year's report of numbers, was 80 teachers, and 804 scholars. Our present report is 74 teachers, and 798 scholars,—being six teachers and six scholars less than last year. This diminution has arisen however from no real loss in our schools,—but from the uniting the Branch schools with the schools taught at the church, under the same system of management and discipline, which has necessarily cut off some, who have thus proved to be rather attendants upon our schools than members of them.

The present numbers of our schools are divided as follows :—

*Male Department.*

|                             |           |              |
|-----------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Bible Class, - - -          | 1 Teacher | 22 Scholars. |
| Intermediate School, - 32   | "         | 216 "        |
| Infant School, - - 1        | "         | 103 "        |
| Boys in Female Inf. School, | "         | 37 "         |
| —                           | —         | —            |
|                             | 34        | 378          |

*Female Department.*

|                           |           |              |
|---------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Bible Class, - - -        | 1 Teacher | 39 Scholars. |
| Second Bible Class, - 1   | "         | 18 "         |
| Intermediate School, - 37 | "         | 280 "        |
| Infant School, - 1        | "         | 83 "         |
| —                         | —         | —            |
|                           | 40        | 420          |

Making in all 74 teachers, and 798 scholars. These are now all accommodated at the Church,—and we have room for the instruction of at least 200 more, which we may hope to collect in our present system in our future years.

One of the most remarkable events of the past year has been the erection of a new building, enabling us thus to unite our schools together. On the 14th day of April last, the Rector distributed among all the schools, the following circular :—

*"Sunday Schools of the Church of the Epiphany."*

"We purpose to erect a building adjoining our Church, for our Sunday Schools, which have grown too numerous for our present accommodation; and for which we are now paying a heavy rent.

"We wish to erect this building by the contributions and collections of our teachers and scholars.

"If we can get a contribution by themselves, or a collection from their friends, of from *one dollar to five dollars from each scholar*,—and from *ten dollars to twenty dollars from each teacher*, we shall be able to finish our building immediately.

"I give this circular to each teacher and scholar, on *this Sunday*, the 14th day of April, and I wish them to *make their collection this week*, so that each scholar may report to their teacher on *next Sunday*, the 21st of April, and bring the money they have collected—and each teacher may report to me, enclosing the money collected by themselves, and received from their scholars.

"Any sums less than those mentioned above, will be gladly received, if more cannot be obtained.

"Let *each one* be DILIGENT and PUNCTUAL.

STEPHEN H. TYNG,

Rector of the Church of the Epiphany."

Both teachers and children entered upon the undertaking with unwavering spirit and zeal,—and the result

of their efforts was the collection of *two thousand dollars* in two weeks time,—bringing on the first Sunday eighteen hundred and twenty-three dollars. This whole sum was thus distributed in the collections which were made.

|                       |   |   |   |          |
|-----------------------|---|---|---|----------|
| Male Bible Class,     | - | - | - | \$100 85 |
| Female Bible Class,   | - | - | - | 151 90   |
| Female Infant School, | - | - | - | 178 29   |
| Male Infant School,   | - | - | - | 52 06    |
| Male Sunday School,   | - | - | - | 580 01   |
| Female Sunday School, | - | - | - | 632 03   |
| Male Branch School,   | - | - | - | 113 90   |
| Female Branch School, | - | - | - | 190 96   |

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The building was commenced on the lot given for the purpose by the Vestry in the church-yard, on the first of May, and completed by the first of August. On Saturday, the last day of August, it was dedicated to the purposes for which it was erected by suitable ceremonies,—and a beautiful provision of proper refreshments was spread upon two long tables on the green, at the west side of the church, at which our gathered scholars and teachers and their friends were entertained, to the high gratification of all who were concerned. The religious services were held in the Lecture-room, where, after an address from the Rector, the following address was read by a committee of the boys from the

school, in delivering up the keys of the new building to the Vestry.

*"To the Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany."*

"GENTLEMEN:—By a resolution of the Vestry, passed on the 9th of April, 1844, the Sunday School Association were permitted to erect on the church lot, a building suitable for Sunday schools, provided that the funds requisite for the erection and finishing said building should be raised, independent of the ordinary funds of the corporation. The Rector, in consequence of this resolution, requested all the teachers and scholars of the Sunday schools to make an effort to raise the funds sufficient for this purpose, by collections from among their friends. In two weeks, we realised by our united efforts, *two thousand dollars*. With this sum we have erected the building adjoining the church, which we now desire to place in the permanent possession of the Vestry of the church, for the benefit and use of the Sunday schools of this church. We have erected this building as a monument of our gratitude for the many benefits which we have received in our Sunday schools, and the great mercies which God has bestowed upon us during the nine years past, in which we have been connected together in this relation. In token of this, and of our acknowledgment of the kindness and guardian care of our church to the Sunday schools, we now deliver the keys of the building to the Vestry."

To this the Senior Warden of the Church made an appropriate reply, on behalf of the Vestry. The Vestry subsequently passed the following resolution, in relation to this subject:—

*"Resolved,* That the new building, the possession of which has now been formally transferred to the Vestry, be and hereby is received as a part of the church property, to be kept in repair by the corporation, and devoted to the uses of the Sunday schools of this church, with the exception of the Vestry-room, on the second floor of the new building, which is to be for the use of the Vestry, in lieu of the old Vestry-room, which is hereby appropriated for the use of the schools."

In this new building, there are provided in the third story, three rooms for Bible Classes,—in the second story, a room which has been exchanged with the Vestry, for the old Vestry-room, now occupied by the Female Bible Class, and given up for a vestry-room,—and in the lower story, two rooms for Infant schools. This has enabled us to convert the Lecture-room into a school-room for the girls, and to throw our two former Sunday school-rooms into one for the boys. By this arrangement, the necessity for Branch schools ceased,—and in the first few weeks of September, we removed them to the church, and united them with the other schools, under the same superintendents. We have still a room for a Bible class unoccupied, not having yet

carried out the plan which we had formed, of opening a second Bible Class for boys. Our accommodations are now every thing that we could reasonably desire. The effort to prepare them, has been a monument of the zeal and energy of our schools in raising their portion of the necessary funds, and of the liberality of the Vestry in meeting the extra cost of the building, to the extent of more than a thousand dollars.

The religious interest and fruits of our schools have not been less for this, than in previous years. *Eighteen* of our scholars have made a public profession of religion during the year; while among our new teachers, we are gratified to see many who were formerly among us as scholars. This is furnishing a supply of the best and most desirable fruit to be gathered from Sunday schools. The time has come, when the greater number of the youthful ministers of the Gospel, and of teachers in the Sunday schools of the Church of the Lord, are collected from those who have had all the advantages of this precious religious training. The influence of their labours in teaching cannot but be increased from the experience themselves have had as recipients of instruction.

The services of our Tenth Anniversary were held on Sunday, the 29th of December,—and were generally considered even more interesting and pleasant than those of former years. Happy is the connexion in which, thus every year brings out increase of benefits

and pleasures, and no sorrows or bitterness. The singing of the children at this anniversary attracted universal attention and applause, for its accuracy and spirit. The distribution of books as usual gave general satisfaction, and many expressions of thanks and pleasure have been received, arising from their bestowal.

Our missionary collections have amounted in all to \$281—Female School, \$191—Male School, \$90.—This is not a sufficient sum for the opportunities and means of our children. We were highly pleased and favoured in the last Sunday in November, with an address from the Rev. Samuel Hazlehurst, who had just returned from his mission in Africa,—which seemed exceedingly to interest and excite the attention of our children. We may hope, by the attention of the teachers to this point, that they will labour with new spirit for the year to come.

The interest of the congregation in our efforts does not seem to diminish. All the means which have been needed for our work, have been freely supplied. In this fact, we have been always much favoured. Now, indeed, there is a personal bond between the scholars and the church which cannot easily be severed. The families of the congregation are nearly all represented among us,—and we have our cordial advocates in every house.

But few cases of sickness have occurred among our schools,—and only two of death,—of neither of which



## REPORT

OF THE

## DORCAS SOCIETY.

In presenting the Seventh Annual Report of the Dorcas Society, the Managers return their sincere and grateful acknowledgments to all who have contributed to its necessities, or encouraged its plans of usefulness and benevolence.

Since its first organization, there has been a gradual increase of members and means. Its present aspect is altogether favourable, 59 names are enrolled, though the aggregate attendance is 28. Its labours have been constant and effectual. As usual, the exertions of the Society have been chiefly directed to the Sunday school, and in all its operations, successful methods have been adopted to prevent impositions and fraud. During the past season, there have been seven hundred and sixty-two garments distributed in about one hundred and thirty families, comprising two hundred and fifty applicants. The Treasurer reports the receipt of \$92 50, as subscriptions, \$117 89 donations. Whole amount, \$210 39. Expenditures, \$202 59. Balance in hand, \$7 80. Received as donations in materials, 7 pieces of muslin; 8 of calico; 7 of Canton flannel; 2 of woolen flannel; 27 pair stockings; 5 shawls; 1½ piece of

gingham; 1½ ditto, jean and satteen; 1 hat and cloak; 20 hoods; 1 piece of linsey: 1 of mous. de laine; 2 dozen spools of cotton; a large supply of children's clothing, new and old; needles, and sundry other articles.

The Managers of the Society trust this simple statement will commend itself to the kind consideration of the members of the Epiphany; and that a future year may develop an enlarged co-operation, with a full appreciation of the words of the Lord Jesus: "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye did it unto me."

March 26, 1845.

## BENEVOLENT OPERATIONS.

The various collections of the past year have been, according to the following account of Z. LOCKE, Parish Treasurer:—

|                                                            |         |            |
|------------------------------------------------------------|---------|------------|
| Collections for Foreign Missions,                          | - -     | \$310 37   |
| Do. for Domestic, do.                                      | - -     | 95 37      |
| Do. for general purposes,                                  | - -     | 366 08     |
| Do. for Sunday-schools,                                    | - -     | 117 16     |
| Do. for Sunday-schools of the Church<br>of the Epiphany,   | - -     | 257 09     |
| Do. for Episcopal and Convent. Fund,                       | - -     | 73 64      |
| Do. for Special Convention,                                | - -     | 75 00      |
| Do. for Bible Society,                                     | - -     | 70 48      |
| Do. for Prayer Book and Tract Soc.                         | - -     | 57 36      |
| Collections and donations for Theological Seminary, Va.    | - - - - | 1205 23    |
| Wednesday evening collections,                             | - -     | 106 86     |
| Collection from the Sunday children for missions,          | - - - - | 250 05     |
| Donation for the education of Isaac Cannell,<br>in Africa, | - - - - | 20 00      |
| Donation for Mission Ch. of the Evangelist,                | - -     | 75 00      |
| Donation for Education of candidates for the<br>ministry,  | - - - - | 100 00     |
| Donation for Parish Missionary,                            | - -     | 222 00     |
| Received from Ladies' Sewing Society,                      | - -     | 300 00     |
|                                                            |         | <hr/>      |
|                                                            |         | \$3,701 69 |

*Paid by order from the Rector:*

|                                                                    |         |          |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|----------|
| To Foreign Committee,                                              | - - - - | \$610 00 |
| To Foreign Committee for education of a<br>beneficiary in Greece,  | - - - - | 80 00    |
| To Foreign Committee, for education of five<br>children in Africa, | - - - - | 100 00   |
| To Foreign Committee for Greek Missions,                           | - - - - | 15 00    |
| To Treasurer of Sunday-schools of the Ch.<br>of the Epiphany,      | - - - - | 150 00   |
| To Treasurer of Convention and Episcopal<br>Fund,                  | - - - - | 73 64    |
| To Treasurer of Convention Fund for Spe-<br>cial Convention,       | - - - - | 75 00    |
| For Special Convention,                                            | - - - - | 60 00    |
| To American Sunday-school Union,                                   | - - - - | 117 16   |
| Do. do. for Li-<br>brary for China Mission,                        | - - - - | 50 00    |
| To Am. Sunday-school Union for schools in<br>the West,             | - - - - | 10 00    |
| To Theological Seminary, Va.                                       | - - - - | 1000 00  |
| To education of young men for the ministry,                        | - - - - | 250 00   |
| To Parish Missionary,                                              | - - - - | 600 00   |
| To church at Sunbury, Pa.                                          | - - - - | 50 00    |
| To Advent Church, N. L.                                            | - - - - | 37 50    |
| To Joseph Levan,                                                   | - - - - | 25 00    |
| To St. Bartholomew's Church, Southwark,                            | - - - - | 25 00    |
| To the Church of the Evangelist, do.                               | - - - - | 125 00   |
| To church at Marcus Hook, Pa.                                      | - - - - | 25 00    |

|                                |   |   |   |         |       |
|--------------------------------|---|---|---|---------|-------|
| To church at Concord, Pa.      | - | - | - | 25      | \$00  |
| Do. at Waterford, Pa.          | - | - | - | 50      | 00    |
| Do. at Willingsborough, N. J.  | - | - | - | 25      | 00    |
| Do. at Brandywine, Del.        | - | - | - | 10      | 00    |
| Do. at Brunswick, Maine,       | - | - | - | 50      | 00    |
|                                |   |   |   |         | <hr/> |
|                                |   |   |   | \$3,638 | 67    |
| Balance in hands of Treasurer, |   |   |   | 63      | 02    |
|                                |   |   |   |         | <hr/> |
|                                |   |   |   | \$3,701 | 69    |

## LADIES' SEWING SOCIETY.

MARIANNE WALKER, *Treasurer, in account with  
Sewing Society of the Church of Epiphany, from  
March 20th, 1844, to March 20th, 1845.*

Dr.

|                               |   |   |   |       |       |
|-------------------------------|---|---|---|-------|-------|
| To balance from last account, | - | - | - | \$18  | 25    |
| Subscriptions,                | - | - | - | 15    | 50    |
| Sales and donations,          | - | - | - | 423   | 31    |
|                               |   |   |   |       | <hr/> |
|                               |   |   |   | \$457 | 06    |

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|                                     |   |          |   |       |       |
|-------------------------------------|---|----------|---|-------|-------|
| By Cash paid to Dr. Tyng on account | } | \$290 00 |   |       |       |
| of African Mission,                 |   |          |   |       |       |
| Materials purchased,                | - | -        | - | 106   | 56    |
| Balance remaining,                  | - | -        | - | 60    | 50    |
|                                     |   |          |   |       | <hr/> |
|                                     |   |          |   | \$457 | 06    |

## CONCLUSION.

In presenting this Annual Report, I have only to say, that it would have been prepared and presented at the regular season, had not circumstances beyond my control prevented it. Since that period, my papers have been beyond my reach, until the present. I cannot trust myself to express my deep feeling in submitting and preparing it now. That God will ever most richly bless a congregation, from whom, in the whole of this eleven years' ministry I have received only comforts and blessings, is my daily prayer,—“in *every* prayer of mine for you all, making request with joy.” That God may equally bless the pastor whom he has been pleased to place over you, is equally my desire. For myself, I earnestly desire still to be remembered in your prayers.

In the bonds of Christian love,

Your faithful friend,

STEPHEN H. TYNG.

*New York, Nov. 6, 1845.*

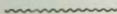
TWELFTH  
PASTORAL REPORT  
OF THE  
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,  
Philadelphia.

PRESENTED TO THE CONGREGATION AT

EASTER, APRIL 12, 1846,

BY

THE RECTOR.



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THOMAS S. TAYLOR,  
GEORGE B. REESE,  
CHARLES WILLIAMS,  
ZEBULON LOCKE,  
ALLIN ROBINETT,  
MATTHEW T. MILLER,  
WILLIAM E. BOWEN,  
JOHN HOCKLEY,  
JOSHUA COWPLAND.

*Sexton.*

JACOB LEIDY.

## CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

EASTER, 1846.

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MARRIAGES.

I officiated at *seven* marriages during the year. The Rev. Mr. VAN PELT at *three*, making *ten* in all.

BAPTISMS.

I baptized *one* adult and *thirty-four* infants, and the Rev. Mr. VAN PELT baptized *nine* children, making a total of *forty-four*.

CONFIRMATION.

On Sunday, April 5th, the Rt. Rev., the Bishop of the Diocese, confirmed *twelve* persons, as follows :

Edwin De Graffenreid,	Mrs. Elizabeth Lockwood,
Mary Divine,	Mrs. Jane Moore,
Elizabeth Fennimore,	Mrs. Catharine Nixon,
Mrs. Elizabeth Halsted,	Rebecca Paxson,
Williamina Hoopes,	Sarah Jane Wood,
Margaret Harbeson,	John R. Whitney.

These, added to the names which have been reported in previous years, make *five hundred* persons who have been confirmed in this church.

COMMUNICANTS.

The number of communicants reported last year was six hundred and fourteen. After a careful examination of the record, and a particular inquiry, *forty-two* of these, it is ascertained, have either died or removed, or else no information about them for years past could be obtained. The above number has consequently been deducted from the sum total, leaving a remainder of *five hundred and seventy-two*. It is still quite doubtful whether there be not some thirty or forty more, who do not rightfully belong to us at present; but it has been thought proper to retain their names until something more definite could be known.

During the year there have been added to our communion *thirty-six*, making the present number *six hundred and eight*. The names of the new communicants are—

Mrs. Eliza Atlee,	Margaret Harbeson,
Vincent L. Bradford,	Mary Kelly,
Mrs. Juliet S. Bradford,	Thomas Kirkpatrick,
Mrs. Eliza T. Barr,	John Kilgore,
Mrs. Maria E. Black,	Mrs. Martha Kilgore,
Mrs. Sarah Budd,	Mrs. Elizabeth Lockwood,
Josephine Carter,	Mrs. Jane Moore,
Rebecca Dougherty,	Mrs. Catharine Nixon,
Mrs. Elizabeth S. Birch,	Rebecca Paxson,
Mary Divine,	Mary Stratton,
Mrs. Ann Duffy,	Thomas B. Stovell,
Mrs. Matilda Fowles,	Mrs. Matilda Stovell,
Elizabeth Fennimore,	Mrs. Elizabeth Tanguy,
John L. Goddard,	Sarah M. Taylor,
Mrs. Ellen Goddard,	Mrs. Ann P. White,
Mrs. Elizabeth Halsted,	Sarah Jane Wood,
Mrs. Rebecca Kennedy,	John R. Whitney,
Williamina Hoopes,	Thomas Patchell.

BURIALS.

Of these there have been *twelve* in all, *nine* of adults, and *three* of children.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL ASSOCIATION OF THE
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

January 1st, 1846.

IN submitting this Eleventh Annual Report of our Sunday-school, we would acknowledge the "good hand of our God upon us," in our continued prosperity, notwithstanding some threatening reverses with which we have been tried. The removal of the late Pastor of this Church—through whose judicious and unwearied labours our School had been gathered—under whose auspices it had reached a perhaps incomparable state of discipline and success, and who had attached to his person the hearts of all the pupils, by the kind interest which he uniformly manifested in their best welfare—was universally regretted, as a bereavement—an equivalent for which could be found in no other human instrumentality—and as an event which summoned the labourers in this, as well as every other department of our beloved church, to "walk by faith, and not by

sight." About the same time, we were deprived from various causes of the services of an unusual number of our valued teachers. The prospects of the School appeared, therefore, gloomy in the extreme, and many were ready to predict its decline. But God dealeth not with His people according to their deserts and fears. The vacant seats of our late teachers were temporarily occupied by members of the Bible class. The services of a sufficient number of beloved and trusted fellow-communicants were readily offered and engaged, as permanent instructors in the School. The number, attendance, and interest of the scholars have not been sensibly diminished. At our late Anniversary, the entire School never presented a more flourishing and promising aspect. While, therefore, the present Pastor of the Church would gratefully acknowledge his indebtedness for this blessing to the teachers and superintendents, whose unwavering and self-denying exertions have constituted them the human channels, through which these mercies have reached us, yet he would call upon all to exclusively ascribe honour where alone it is due, even to that gracious Father, from whom cometh every good gift; and he would remind those concerned, that as our present and past harvests have been the undeserved reward of real labours,—so in the future, if we would reap bountifully, we must not sow sparingly.

The following is a summary of the numbers in the various departments of our School:—

Male Department.

Bible Classes,	Teachers	2	Scholars	31
Intermediate School,	"	31	"	195
Infant Class,	"	1	"	60
Boys in Fem. Inf. Class,			"	30
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Total, teachers	-	-	34	Scholars 316

Female Department.

Bible Classes,	Teachers	2	Scholars	54
Intermediate School,	"	35	"	294
Infant Class,	"	1	"	68
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Total,	-	-	38	416

Making in all 72 teachers, and 732 scholars.

While these statistics show a considerable diminution in the numbers of the Infant Scholars, as compared with the report of the last year, they exhibit a small increase in the other departments. The Infant classes have not been so numerously attended, since the Branch School was incorporated with the original institution. This is attributable in part to the greater distance at which some of the pupils live from the Church. We have also been visited with an unusual succession of inclement Sundays of late, which no doubt have interfered with the attendance, and hence prevented full reports. But, notwithstanding this decrease, the two Infant classes, under their devoted teachers, appear to be

in a very flourishing state, and constitute, perhaps, one of the most interesting features in our School. It is, indeed, the universal impression, that our entire institution never seemed more promising than now. At our late Anniversary, as has been already intimated, the interest, neither of the teachers nor of their classes, appeared to have abated. General satisfaction was expressed among the latter, on receiving the books which were distributed among them.

At the close of the year, three additional Bible classes were formed, which promise well; but from which, on account of their recent organization, no reports have been received. Our numbers, therefore, may be regarded as about equal to the reports of last year.

The School, in addition to the support of 4 children in Africa, and the annual contribution of \$80 towards the mission in Greece, has assumed the obligation to supply one half of the salary of the Rev. Mr. Messenger—who, after having laboured in our midst, and won our esteem, has been sent out as a Missionary to foreign lands. The amount required for this purpose, during the present year, has already been paid; and the great interest manifested in this object by nearly all the scholars, leaves no room to doubt that the engagement will always be punctually met. If the Master of the Vineyard spare the life of this faithful labourer, it is hoped that our School will be instrumental, through him, of accomplishing much good.

There has been a gratifying increase in the annual contributions of the School. In the Male department, \$135 have been received; and in the Female, \$205. By the liberality of individuals, and the kind efforts of the members of the Dorcas society, destitute children in our School have been supplied, as in previous years, with comfortable and decent clothing.

Notwithstanding, however, the ordinary good deportment of the School, and the outward interest which several of the scholars manifest in those momentous truths, which are brought before their minds, it is to be deeply regretted that no case of hopeful conversion has been reported of late. It is true that, at our last annual Confirmation, seven members of our Female Bible Classes, and two others from the Intermediate School, of the same department, made a public profession of their faith, by the renewal of their baptismal vows. But as the season for the administration of this solemn rite again approaches, it becomes our duty to seek for suitable candidates—for those who have been prepared, through the righteousness of Christ, and the inner work of the Spirit, to serve and enjoy God. Let, then, the entire School, in all its departments and members, from the infant of thirty months to the pupil of three-score years, gain an interest in our hearts and prayers, that all may be endued with grace faithfully to walk, during the remainder of their pilgrimage, in all those good works which God has prepared for His people,

and finally to attain that crown, which shall be to the glory of God in the salvation of all who wear it.

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Dorcas Society of the Church of the Epiphany.

THE Board of Managers submit to the Society, the following as a statement of the proceedings of the past season.

In reviewing our operations, we are reminded of a debt of gratitude we owe to the Author of all good, and to those who have aided us in extending relief to the poor and destitute. As each year closes, we find fresh incentives to increased exertion, and there is a pleasure in noticing the progress of usefulness. Our course has been a steady one, and an improvement in the management of our affairs has been manifest. Though this season has not yielded such a large pecuniary supply, and consequently there has not been as

much clothing distributed as in former years, the Managers feel convinced that, in most cases, they have given with discretion, and acted for the best interests of the Society, and the welfare of the needy.

We have had twenty-two meetings, and though there are fifty-two members, the average attendance has been only twenty-six.

As usual, the efforts of the Society have been chiefly directed to the Sunday-school; 659 garments have been distributed in about 125 families, to nearly 200 applicants.

The Treasurer reports the receipt of \$83 60, as donations; annual subscriptions, \$86 50; whole amount, \$170 10; expenditures, \$164 90; balance in hand, \$5 20.

The following donations in materials have also been received—two pieces of calico, twenty-eight hoods, two pair of blankets, four pair of stockings, one piece of muslin, one piece of Kentucky jean, one and one-half pieces of Canton flannel, one piece of sheeting, six yards of flannel, twelve shawls, one coat, and sundry articles of clothing.

We must again commend our Society to the kind care of Heaven, praying that He who hath said, "love thy neighbour as thyself," will give us the desire and ability to follow the command, with a single eye to His glory, and the good of our fellow-creatures.

Wednesday, March 25, 1846.

BENEVOLENT OPERATIONS.

The various collections of the past year have been according to the following account of Z. LOCKE, Parish Treasurer:

Receipts.

Collection for Foreign Missions,	- -	\$248 48
" Domestic " " "	- -	188 30
" General purposes,	- -	416 81
" Sunday-school Ch. of Epiphany,		236 74
" Destitute Sunday-schools,		110 27
" Sufferers by fire at Pittsburg,		400 00
" Episcopal and Convention fund,		76 68
" Episcopal fund,	- -	98 68
" Seamen's Friend Society,		51 00
" Wednesday collections,	- -	276 05
From Ladies' Sewing Society, for Rev. E. J.		
P. Messinger, Missionary,	- -	250 00
From Female Sunday-school, for Rev. E. J.		
P. Messinger, Africa,	- - -	125 00
From Female Sunday-school, for the support		
of two children in Africa,	- - -	40 00
From Male Sunday-school, for Rev. E. J. P.		
M. and two children in Africa,	- -	160 00
From Male S. S., for library in the West,		25 00
Dona. for support of Parish Missions, last year,		283 00
" " " " this year,		255 00
" Theological Seminary, Va.,	- -	200 00

Donations for St. Andrew's Ch., Pittsburg,	36 38
" Education purposes, - -	50 00
" Convention expenses, -	50 00
" Emanuel church, Kensington,	20 00
" Church of the Evangelists, -	20 00
Balance in hand from last year, - -	63 00
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Total, - - -	\$3,680 41

Paid Out.

To Foreign Committee for China Missions,	\$100 00
" " one year's salary for	
Rev. Mr. Messinger, Missionary to Africa,	500 00
To Foreign Committee for the education of 4	
children in Africa, - - - -	80 00
To Foreign Committee for the Rev. Mr. Ives,	
Missionary in Texas, - - - -	25 00
To Rev. Mr. Preston, for the sufferers by the	
fire at Pittsburg, - - - -	400 00
To Rev. Mr. Preston, for St. Andrew's Ch.,	
Pittsburg, - - - - -	36 38
To Treas. of Conv. and Episcopal Fund,	76 68
To annual payment for support of Episcopate,	150 00
For Convention expenses, - - -	50 00
To Educa. of young men for the Ministry,	230 00
To Bishop Otey's School, - - -	150 00
To Church at Waterford, Pa., - -	50 00
" of the Evangelists, Southwark,	50 00

To Emanuel Church, Kensington, - -	20 00
To Christ Church, Adams co., Pa., -	10 00
To Rev. Mr. Kirk, Downingtown, Pa., -	50 00
To Christ Church, Towanda, Pa. - -	25 00
To Phila. Bible Society, - - -	70 00
To Bishop White Prayer Book Society, -	25 00
To Phila. Tract Society, - - -	25 00
To Sabbath Association, - - - -	25 00
To City Missions, - - - - -	75 00
To Seamen's Friend Society, - - -	51 00
To Parish Missionary, - - - -	550 00
To American Sunday-school Union, -	135 27
To Treas. of S. S., Ch. of the Epiphany,	347 25
Custom house charges on Jewish pamphlets,	2 72
Balance in treasury, - - -	371 11
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	\$3,680 41

LADIES' SEWING SOCIETY.

MARIANNE WALKER, *Treasurer, in account with Sewing Society of the Church of Epiphany, from March 20, 1845, to March 20, 1846.*

Dr.

To balance from last account, - -	\$60 50
Subscriptions, - - - -	18 00
Sales and donations, - - - -	388 49

\$466 99

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By Cash paid Mr. Messinger,	-	\$150 00
“ “ Mr. Fowles,	-	100 00
Materials purchased,	-	203 10
Balance remaining,	-	13 89
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		\$466 99

CONCLUSION.

This little summary of our history as a congregation, during the past year, is closed, by reminding my people that it requires a strong faith to bear up under that sense of responsibility which so important a charge as the Rectorship of this Church awakens, and by commending the interests of all concerned to the prayers of God's children in our midst. I cannot but congratulate myself that I have entered on the labours of one, who has, by the Divine blessing, so effectually exerted his great powers to prepare the hearts of many to receive with meekness the unadulterated truths of the Gospel. May he be abundantly rewarded for his "work of faith and labour of love," in this fold which was gathered by himself; and, strengthened by your prayers, may he do yet more in the task which has been assigned him by the Chief Shepherd! May, too, my "own lack of service" among you, be abundantly supplied by Him who "came not to be ministered unto, but to minister," and thus your souls be fitted to enjoy and glorify God on earth and in heaven. Your affectionate friend and pastor,

J. H. FOWLES.

THIRTEENTH
PASTORAL REPORT
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ALLIN ROBINETT,  
MATTHEW T. MILLER,  
WILLIAM E. BOWEN,  
JOHN HOCKLEY,  
JOSHUA COWELAND,  
EDWARD OLMSTED.

*Sexton.*

JACOB LEIDY.

# CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

EASTER, 1847.

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## MARRIAGES.

I officiated at *eight* marriages during the year. The Rev. Mr. VAN PELT at *two*, making *ten* in all.

## BAPTISMS.

I baptized *one* adult and *forty-two* infants, and the Rev. Mr. VAN PELT baptized *thirteen* children, making a total of *fifty-six*.

## CONFIRMATION.

On Sunday, April 4th, the Rt. Rev., the Bishop of the Diocese, confirmed *twenty* persons, as follows:

|                         |                          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Henry Lord Boulton,     | Elizabeth Emily Gilbert, |
| George Buchanan,        | Matilda Kenton,          |
| Mrs. Jane Clark Connor, | Sarah Jane Kirkpatrick,  |
| Martha N. Cowpland,     | Mrs. Jane M'Gowen,       |

|                      |                          |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Emma Moore,          | Sarah N. West,           |
| Catharine Murray,    | Mrs. Amanda Wiley,       |
| Mary M. Oliver,      | Daniel B. Woods,         |
| Mary Virginia Peaco, | Mrs. Elizabeth H. Woods, |
| Ellen M. Peters,     | Mrs. Jane Woolson,       |
| Eliza Jane Spence,   | Mrs. Lydia Young.        |

## COMMUNICANTS.

There were *six hundred and eight* reported last year. Our list has been subjected to another careful examination at the present date; the result of which is, that the names of *one hundred and thirty-two* have been erased.

But a very small portion of these have worshipped in our church for years past—the most of them, as appears by the Record, have never given any notice of their intention to leave us, and their subsequent history cannot be traced—many of them were never seat-holders. As no pastoral supervision of them under these circumstances can be maintained, it has been thought best, that all seeming connection between them and our church should cease. The rule by which this excision has taken place, is the ceasing of the parties to hold and occupy seats in our church. Unless special circumstances, as in a few instances at present, authorize exceptions, this rule will be hereafter followed.

The present list corresponds as nearly with our actual communion as may be; and it has been thought advisable to publish it for reference. After deducting this

large number, and adding forty-eight, who have joined during the past year, and whose names will be found at the close of the catalogue, the present communicants amount to *five hundred and twenty-four*, and their names are as follows:

*First year, from August 1834, to Easter 1835.*

|                            |                            |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Lewis R. Ashhurst,         | Mrs. Jane Metcalf,         |
| Mrs. Mary Ashhurst,        | Mrs. Elizabeth Montgomery, |
| Sarah E. Ashley,           | Caspar Morris, M. D.       |
| Charlotte M. Ashley,       | Mrs. Ann C. Morris,        |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Bellingham, | Mrs. Sarah M. Oliver,      |
| Joshua Cowpland,           | Mrs. Elizabeth Patchell,   |
| Mrs. Louisa Duane,         | Frederick W. Porter,       |
| Mrs. Mary Gerraty,         | Mrs. Sarah C. Porter,      |
| Mrs. Grace Gill,           | Mrs. Lucy Russell,         |
| Mary Elizabeth Gill,       | Mrs. Mary Stevenson,       |
| Mrs. Juliana Good,         | Thomas S. Taylor,          |
| Mrs. Ann Hinds,            | Mrs. Mary M. Taylor,       |
| Eliza Holtzbecher,         | Isabella C. Town,          |
| Mrs. Ann Jones,            | Jane Town,                 |
| Mrs. Sophia Latimer,       | Marianne Walker,           |
| Zebulon Locke,             | Mrs. Harriet S. Watson. 33 |
| Mrs. Harriet Locke,        |                            |

*Second year, from Easter 1835, to Easter 1836.*

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|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Mrs. Marinda A. Bicknell, | Mrs. Matilda Dillard, |
| Mrs. Ann Cowpland,        | William Duane,        |

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|-------------------------|------------------------|
| William T. Elbert,      | George W. Montgomery,  |
| Margaret M. Haven,      | Ellen S. Rand,         |
| John Hockley,           | Adam Seed,             |
| Mrs. Catharine Hockley, | Mrs. Eliza Seed,       |
| Mrs. Mary Hockley,      | William P. Smith,      |
| Mrs. Ann Johnston,      | Mrs. Anna Maria Smith, |
| John M'Garvey,          | Mrs. Abigail Wells.    |
| Matthew T. Miller,      | 19                     |

*Third year, from Easter 1836, to Easter 1837.*

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|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Mrs. Aletta Bispham,     | John Murray,              |
| Mrs. Mary M. Brinton,    | Mrs. Maria Newell,        |
| Mary S. Connell,         | Paul G. Oliver,           |
| Mrs. Harriet Coleman,    | Mrs. Anna E. Price,       |
| Mrs. Anna M. Dawson,     | Samuel Potts,             |
| Charlotte Dobell,        | George B. Reese,          |
| Mrs. Amanda M. Eckford,  | Mrs. Margaret Reese,      |
| Samuel Hazelhurst,       | Dr. John J. Reese,        |
| Elizabeth M. Hazlehurst, | Mrs. Frances H. Richards, |
| Frances N. Hoope,        | Mrs. Margaret Smyth,      |
| Charles Jacobs,          | Mrs. Elizabeth Spence,    |
| Mrs. Caroline Jones,     | Francis B. Stockton,      |
| Mrs. Ann Kirkpatrick,    | William Wadsworth,        |
| Jacob Leidy,             | Mrs. Mary Wadsworth,      |
| Mrs. Wil'ma. E. M'Elwee, | Ann E. Wilmer,            |
| James M'Garvey,          | Mrs. Sarah Young,         |
| Mrs. Maria M'Ivaine,     | Ann Young.                |
| Mrs. Eliza Morton,       | 35                        |

*Fourth year, from Easter 1837, to Easter 1838.*

|                           |                           |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Ann Bart,                 | Thomas Metcalf,           |
| Anna B. Caldwell,         | Mrs. Maria M. Mitchell,   |
| Margaret Crawford,        | Thomas Moore,             |
| Mrs. Mary C. Elbert,      | Eliza Moore,              |
| Rebecca J. Elbert,        | Mary Morrison,            |
| Robert Ellis,             | Josephine L. Patullo,     |
| Mrs. Margaret Ellis,      | Eliza Ann Randall,        |
| Eliza English,            | Mrs. Ann Robbins,         |
| Elizabeth Freel,          | Mrs. Eleanor A. Simes,    |
| Sarah Goodfellow,         | Cornelia Elizabeth Smith, |
| Susan Gwinn,              | Williamina Smith,         |
| Mrs. Hannah Hight,        | William Spence,           |
| Mrs. Eliza Y. M'Allister, | Mrs. Margaret Spence,     |
| James M'Cutcheon,         | Mrs. Anna B. Stockton,    |
| Mary Ann M'Garvey,        | Mrs. Mary Swain,          |
| William M'Intyre,         | Mary White,               |
| Margaret Montgomery,      | Catharine White.          |
|                           | 34                        |

*Fifth year, from Easter 1838, to Easter 1839.*

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|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Anna Armstrong,      | Elizabeth Grasby,          |
| Mrs. Margaret Bell,  | Martha Ann Jackson,        |
| John H. Black,       | Elizabeth M'Allister,      |
| Mrs. Janette Black,  | Mrs. Caroline Miller,      |
| Sophia A. Cotton,    | Mrs. Sarah A. Montgomery,  |
| John Ellis,          | Mrs. Maria Morris,         |
| Mrs. Mary P. Fisher, | Mrs. Margaret Patullo,     |
| Mrs. Hannah Grasby,  | Mrs. Gertrude O. Phillips, |

|                           |                         |    |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|----|
| Mrs. Mary Prince,         | Rebecca Smyth,          |    |
| Sarah R. Prince,          | Mary C. Sprogell,       |    |
| Allin Robinett,           | Mrs. Catharine Stewart, |    |
| Mrs. Matilda L. Robinett, | Mrs. Ann Thomas,        |    |
| Alphonso Shubert,         | Mary Wallace,           |    |
| Mrs. Caroline Shubert,    | Mrs. Susan Wrigley,     |    |
| Mrs. Sarah Smith,         | James Young,            |    |
| Jane Smyth,               | Mrs. Rebecca Young.     | 32 |

*Sixth year, from Easter 1839, to Easter 1840.*

|                         |                          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Eunice Anderson,        | Mrs. Deidamia Morton,    |
| Mrs. Adelaide Barnes,   | Mrs. Ann L. Phillips,    |
| Mrs Elizabeth Bowen,    | Sarah Jane Pierce,       |
| Elias Brown,            | Emma P. Rand,            |
| Mrs. Margaret Brown,    | Mrs. Rebecca J. Smith,   |
| Mrs. Susannah C. Brown, | John Tanguy,             |
| Ann C. Brown,           | William Thaw,            |
| Mrs. Cynthia Jackson,   | Harriet A. Thaw,         |
| James Kirkpatrick,      | Mrs. Catharine Thompson, |
| Robert McConnell,       | Mrs. Mary Ann Wheeler.   |

*Seventh year, from Easter 1840, to Easter 1841.*

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|--------------------------|----------------------|
| James T. Allen,          | Mrs. Rachel Bryant,  |
| Harrison Bailey,         | Helen M. Colton,     |
| Mrs. Eleanor Barrington, | Jane Denmark,        |
| Jane Black,              | E. Matilda L. Elwyn, |
| William E. Bowen,        | Joseph K. Eyre,      |
| William F. Bryant,       | William Furey,       |

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|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Thomas Furey,            | Mary Ann Myles,        |
| Abraham Hancker,         | Mrs. Esther Neilson,   |
| Mrs. Ann Hancker,        | Marion H. Rand,        |
| George S. Hassan,        | Mrs. Sally A. Reese,   |
| Mrs. Anna M. H. Hoskins, | Mrs. Lydia N. Safford, |
| Helen Hughes,            | Mary Seed,             |
| Henrietta C. Long,       | Mrs. Mary S. Smith,    |
| James M'Claranan,        | Milton Smith,          |
| Mrs. Maria M'Claranan,   | Samuel L. Tanguy,      |
| John M'Couch,            | Mrs. Margaret Weldom.  |
| Mary M'Keague,           | 33                     |

*Eighth year, from Easter 1841, to Easter 1842.*

|                             |                           |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| William H. Allen,           | Anna B. Colton,           |
| Elizabeth Arrott,           | Eliza Crawford,           |
| Algernon E. Ashburner,      | Mrs. Harriet C. Crothers, |
| William H. Ashhurst,        | Mrs. Rowland N. Davis,    |
| Mrs. Elizabeth K. Ashhurst, | William Deviney,          |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Barton,      | Mary Donnell,             |
| Archibald Beatty,           | Margaret E. Donnell,      |
| Mrs. Margaretta Bird,       | Jane Ellis,               |
| Rachel J. Bryant,           | Peter Field,              |
| Joseph Bryant,              | Mrs. Margaret Field,      |
| Mary A. Brown,              | Mrs. Jane Field,          |
| Mrs. Mary Candy,            | Dorothea Field,           |
| James Clark,                | Theodosia Gill,           |
| Mrs. Cornelia Clay,         | John Goddard,             |
| Mrs. Cornelia B. Colton,    | Isabella Hagerty,         |

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|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Mrs. Caroline E. Hazlehurst, | Mrs. Rachel Patchell,    |
| Emily Hazlehurst,            | James Patchell,          |
| Mary Ann Hazlett,            | Julia G. Prince,         |
| Mrs. Sally F. Lewis,         | Mrs. Catharine Richards, |
| Agnes Y. M'Allister,         | Mary Jane Riddle,        |
| Catharine M'Couch,           | Mrs. Amelia W. Smith,    |
| Rebecca M'Couch,             | Lloyd P. Smith,          |
| Margaret M'Dougall,          | Mrs. Martha Taylor,      |
| Mary M'Garvey,               | Mary E. Thomas,          |
| Mrs. Elizabeth M'Glathery,   | George H. Thomson,       |
| Sophia M'Ihenny,             | Rebecca Thomson,         |
| James M'Nichol,              | Rebecca G. Tunis,        |
| William Moore,               | Samuel Griffiths Wells,  |
| Mary Moore,                  | Francis Wells,           |
| Amelia Morris,               | William Whaley,          |
| Mrs. Mary G. Murphy,         | Ellen Whaley,            |
| George W. North,             | Sarah Whaley,            |
| Mrs. Catharine M. North,     | Mary Jane Whaley,        |
| Mrs. Katharine A. Olmsted,   | Thomas Wheeler,          |
| Robert James Parvin,         | William Woodward,        |

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*Ninth year, from Easter 1842, to Easter 1843.*

|                          |                        |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Mary Armstrong,          | John Brown,            |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Ashhurst, | Eliza W. Brown,        |
| Margaret Black,          | Jeremiah Butler,       |
| Mrs. Martha Blackiston,  | Mrs. Elizabeth Butler, |
| Sarah Blackiston,        | Elizabeth Butler,      |
| Mrs. Catharine H. Bowie, | Catharine Butler,      |

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Elizabeth Y. Campion,    | Mrs. Margaret M'Couch,  |
| Mrs. Harriet Carroll,    | Mrs. Mary A. M'Euen,    |
| Elizabeth Christie,      | Alexander M'Ihenny,     |
| Susan Christie,          | Ann M'Keague,           |
| Joseph A. Clay,          | Valentine M'Nutt,       |
| Annie Coleman,           | Martha Mahaffey,        |
| Mrs. Ann Colquhoun,      | Jane Mahaffey,          |
| Jane Davis,              | Gardiner Marks,         |
| Charles Eldred,          | Mrs. Ellen M. Mayberry, |
| Mrs. Marg. E. Eldred,    | William H. Moore,       |
| Mrs. Mary Furey,         | Mrs. Hannah Moore,      |
| William Gibson, M. D.,   | Edward Olmsted,         |
| Mrs. Sarah N. Gibson,    | Anna Maria Peake,       |
| Mrs. Anna Heile,         | Mrs. Lydia Phillips,    |
| Matilda Hamilton,        | George Pierce,          |
| Sarah Hassan,            | Margaret Robb,          |
| David Hazel,             | Lavinia Schnebly,       |
| Mrs. Elizabeth R. Hazel, | Dorinda Schnebly,       |
| William Hunter,          | Everina Sharp,          |
| Mrs. Ann Hunter,         | William Silcox,         |
| Ann Hutchinson,          | Paul Stewart,           |
| Mrs. Louisa C. Jackson,  | Mrs. Mary Stewart,      |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Jacobs,   | John B. Stout,          |
| Eliza Kirkpatrick,       | Theodore Trewendt,      |
| Mary Kirkpatrick,        | Mrs. Mary Trewendt,     |
| John Longhead,           | Richard B. Tschudy,     |
| Eliza Euena M'Allister,  | Eleanor Tschudy,        |
| Jane M'Candless,         | Mrs. Ann Eliza Tunis,   |

Elizabeth Wallen,  
Asa Whitney,  
Mrs. Clarinda Whitney,

Sarah Williams,  
Mrs. Mary Woodward. 73

*Tenth year, from Easter 1843, to Easter 1844.*

Jane Aiken,  
Mrs. Harriet D. Allen,  
Ann Armstrong,  
Benjamin Ashburner,  
Mrs. Maria Ashburner,  
John E. Bispham,  
Agnes Boulton,  
Elias H. Brown,  
Rowland H. Brown,  
William J. Brown,  
Mary Ann Christie,  
Alice E. Colquhoun,  
Anna Cowpland,  
Mary Devor,  
James O. Donahue,  
Mrs. Lavinia Evans,  
William Gibson,  
Eliza Gibson,  
Rev. Caleb J. Good,  
George Harbeson,  
Mrs. Mary Harbeson,  
Jabez Harraden,  
Mrs. Charlotte P. Harraden, Mary Ann Patchell,

Mrs. Agnes Hassan,  
Mrs. Rebecca Hazlehurst,  
Isaac Hazlehurst,  
Rachel Hill,  
Janette Hulme,  
Mary Ann Hutchinson,  
Mrs. Amelia Jennings,  
Mrs. Caroline Jennings,  
Mrs. Margaret N. Kelly,  
James S. Kirkpatrick,  
Hannah Longhead,  
Catharine M'Couch,  
Sarah Y. M'Elwee,  
Mary Jane M'Mullen,  
Frances M'Nutt,  
Rebecca J. Milner,  
William Montgomery,  
Mary Montgomery,  
William L. Newbold,  
Mrs. Sarah A. Newbold,  
Robert Nixon,  
Isabella Orr,

Magaret Patullo,  
Mrs. Sarah Pepper,  
Sarah R. Peters,  
Lydia Phillips,  
Mrs. Jane Read,  
Joseph Richards,  
Harriet Richards,  
Sarah Robb,  
Phoebe Ann Robbins,  
Mrs. Ann Robinson,  
Mary Sherman,  
Mrs. Elizabeth Simmons,  
Jane Smith,

Ann Jane Smith,  
Angel M. Smyth,  
Louisa Martha Taylor,  
David Thompson,  
Gustavus V. Town,  
Mrs. Abby A. T. Van Pelt,  
Elizabeth D. Van Pelt,  
Robert Wade,  
Elizabeth Whelen,  
Eliza Whitney,  
Eliza Wood,  
Charlotte Wood.

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*Eleventh year, from Easter 1844, to Easter 1845.*

Eliza Andrews,  
Elvira Brown,  
Louisa C. Butler,  
James Christie,  
Robert Connor,  
Mrs. Mary Ann Donaghy,  
John Furey,  
René Guillou,  
Mrs. Cynthia A. Guillou,  
Elizabeth Olivia Hickey,  
George M'Cabe,  
Mrs. Ann M'Cabe,

Elizabeth M'Cabe,  
Adam Marshall,  
William A. Newbold,  
Mary Newell,  
Mrs. Mary P. Norris,  
Maria D. Prince,  
Margaret Sharp,  
Mrs. Mary A. Town,  
Mrs. Mary M. Wallace,  
Letitia Whaley,  
Elizabeth Young.

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*Twelfth year, from Easter 1845, to Easter 1846.*

|                          |                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Mrs. Eliza Atlee,        | Mary Kelly,              |
| Mrs. Eliza T. Barr,      | Mrs. Rebecca Kennedy,    |
| Mrs. Elizabeth S. Birch, | Thomas Kirkpatrick,      |
| Mrs. Maria E. Black,     | Mrs. Elizabeth Lockwood, |
| Vincent L. Bradford,     | Mrs. Jane Moore,         |
| Mrs. Juliet S. Bradford, | Mrs. Catharine Nixon,    |
| Mrs. Sarah Budd,         | Thomas Patchell,         |
| Josephine Carter,        | Rebecca Paxson,          |
| Mary Divine,             | Thomas B. Stovell,       |
| Rebecca Dougherty,       | Mrs. Matilda Stovell,    |
| Mrs. Ann Duffy,          | Mary Stratton,           |
| Elizabeth Fennimore,     | Mrs. Elizabeth Tanguy,   |
| Mrs. Matilda Fowles,     | Sarah M. Taylor,         |
| John L. Goddard,         | Mrs. Ann P. White,       |
| Mrs. Ellen Goddard,      | John R. Whitney,         |
| Margaret Harbeson,       | Sarah Jane Wood.         |
| Williamina Hoopes,       |                          |

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*Thirteenth year, from Easter 1846, to Easter 1847.*

|                           |                         |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Mrs. Mary E. B. Allibone, | Mrs. Sarah N. Cannell,  |
| Thomas A. Biddle,         | Mrs. Jane Clark Connor, |
| Mrs. Julia Biddle,        | Martha N. Cowpland,     |
| Israel M. Bissell,        | Charles Foster,         |
| Mrs. Augusta Bissell,     | Mrs. Emily M. Foster,   |
| Henry L. Boulton,         | Sarah Furey,            |
| George Buchanan,          | Elizabeth E. Gilbert,   |
| Mrs. Jane F. T. Byrd,     | Joseph Gillet,          |

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|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Mrs. Mary Gillet,       | Mary M. Oliver,             |
| Eliza M. Gray,          | Mary Virginia Peaco,        |
| Matilda Kenton,         | Ellen M. Peters,            |
| James Kirkpatrick,      | Jacob Rambo,                |
| Sarah Jane Kirkpatrick, | Eliza Jane Spence,          |
| Ann M'Garvey,           | Nancy Stewart,              |
| Mrs. Jane M'Gowan,      | Rev. Samuel C. Stratton,    |
| Margaret M'Mullen,      | Mrs. Elizabeth H. Stratton, |
| Emma Moore,             | Mrs. Charlotte Wade,        |
| Thomas M. Mumford,      | Sarah N. West,              |
| Mrs. Henrietta Mumford, | Elizabeth Wetherill,        |
| Lydia L. Mumford,       | Mrs. Amanda Wiley,          |
| Sarah E. Mumford,       | Daniel B. Woods,            |
| Jane G. Mumford,        | Mrs. Elizabeth H. Woods,    |
| Catharine Murray,       | Mrs. Jane Woolson,          |
| Emma Oliver,            | Mrs. Lydia Young.           |

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## BURIALS.

Of these there have been *fifteen* of adults, and *twelve* of children.

## TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Sunday-school Association of the Church of the  
Epiphany.

January 1, 1847.

It can scarcely be expected, that, in this fluctuating world, so large a body as that represented and governed by this Association, should not, in almost every year, undergo some interesting changes. Our last annual report began with the history of these. We have now to record others, which, though perhaps less striking, are important. Besides some of less note, three prominent teachers have been removed: two of them to other and more extensive fields of labour in our Lord's earthly vineyard. One of these is now employed as a minister in a distant state; while the other has been called to the superintendence of the Sunday-school of a large church in a neighbouring city. The third has been taken, we trust, to his heavenly reward. On his death-bed, the welfare of his interesting and promising Bible-class engaged his thoughts and prayers. His mourn-

ing pupils followed his bier. May the seed, which he sowed in their youthful hearts, spring up and bear fruit; and his example and labours be thus witnessed in their spiritual and everlasting results.

We would sing, however, of mercy as well as of judgment. The above losses have been partially supplied. The services of a few valuable additional teachers have been secured. In the male department we are enabled to report as many as were employed a year ago. In the female, the teachers are more numerous than they were twelve months since. The classes, too, are somewhat enlarged. A very gratifying increase will be observed in the present number of the scholars as compared with our last annual report. This may, in part, be attributed to the recent establishment of a promising branch school; but it is likewise to be ascribed to greater efficiency on the part of some of the teachers. The chief increase is in the male infant class. Both the infant classes are now about as large as their present accommodations will allow; and to each of their teachers are we deeply indebted for the size and interest of the entire school. In these nurseries, we are persuaded, that feelings are excited, and habits are formed, which are retained in a good degree through every stage of the pupil's progress. At our late Anniversary, these classes occupied, as usual, a conspicuous place, and added much to the interest of the occasion. The whole scene and service were gratifying to all pre-

sent and engaged. This annual celebration, we trust, has filled the hearts of both teachers and scholars with gladness, and will serve to inspire us in our work.

The numbers in the different departments of our school are as follows:

*Male Department.*

|                              | Teachers. | Scholars. |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Intermediate School, -       | 31        | 225       |
| Bible Classes, - -           | 2         | 25        |
| Infant Class, - -            | 1         | 78        |
| Boys in Female Infant Class, |           | 33        |
| Branch School, - - -         |           | 40        |
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| Total, -                     | 34        | 401       |

*Female Department.*

|                        | Teachers. | Scholars. |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Intermediate School, - | 36        | 282       |
| Bible Classes, - -     | 3         | 66        |
| Infant Class, - -      | 1         | 64        |
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| Total, -               | 40        | 412       |

The numbers in both departments amount therefore to 813.

Many of the children included in this report are poor, and would not be able to attend unless supplied with shoes and clothing by the kindness of individuals,

together with the labours of the Dorcas Society, and an appropriation from the communion fund.

The above summary compares favourably with the past flourishing state of our school. While, however, we hail this statement as a token of that undiminished interest, which parents and children, teachers and pupils entertain, our chief efforts should hereafter be directed, not so much to an increase of numbers, as to the perfection of order, and the improvement of our mode and system of instruction. Upon the nature of the means put into operation, together with our energetic perseverance in their use, and pre-eminently upon our faith in God to bless, depends the success which is to crown our efforts. "As a man soweth, so shall he also reap." Strict compliance with well-devised rules for outward conduct, accompanied with the faithful inculcation of gospel truth, spoken in love and singleness of heart, and aided by effectual prayer, will ensure a good harvest.

Of the twelve persons confirmed in our church last spring, four were connected with our school. This is no inconsiderable proportion of the whole; and if, as we trust, they were inwardly prepared by the Spirit of God to make a "good profession," our labours have been incalculably rewarded. Yet, when we consider the number under our care, and the shortness and uncertainty of life, we should rather mourn that so little has been effected, and redouble our zeal.

There has been a steady and healthful increase in the Missionary contributions of the school. From the Male Department \$155, and from the Female Department \$225 23 will be paid into the hands of the treasurer.

From this amount, appropriations must be made to meet our engagements in Africa. In so doing, while we bow submissively to the orderings of God, we cannot but mourn over the loss which the cause of Christ, and our own church and school in particular, have sustained, in the death of our humble, zealous and beloved missionary, the Rev. E. J. P. Messinger. A short year since, we congratulated ourselves on the prospect of being, under God, instrumental, through him, in assisting to elevate the intellectual and spiritual character of oppressed and degraded Africa. But the tongue, through which we would have spoken, now lies silent in the grave. So deep is the feeling excited by this afflictive event, that a short tribute to his memory may be well expected.

Our deceased brother was the eldest of five children, wholly dependent upon a widowed mother's exertions. Remarkable energy characterized even his childhood. His exertions, at an early age, contributed materially towards the support of the family. When but fourteen, he was placed under a relative in this city, for the purpose of learning a trade. This individual, although not even a professor of religion, now bears testimony to

the faithfulness with which his nephew discharged his duties as an apprentice, until, through the ministry of the Rev. Dr. Bedell, he was brought to the knowledge of Christ. From that time he regarded the ministry as his vocation. Before the appointed early hour for work, he was known always to be engaged in prayer. His heart throughout the day was evidently not with his hands; and he was looking towards his majority, as the period of release, when he could turn his attention towards the sacred purpose of his heart. Soon after, he became connected with this church. As the teacher of one of our Infant schools, his memory is affectionately cherished by many a parent and child in our church. It is common to hear among the poor of this congregation this remark, that they "loved the ground on which he trod." There are communicants in our church, who trace their first religious impressions to the faithful and affectionate visits of the beloved teacher of their little ones. The difficulties which lay in the way of his entrance into the ministry were overcome by his good natural talents and indomitable perseverance. A respectable education was acquired—means were provided in the good providence of God—and after the regular course of study in the Virginia Seminary, he entered the ministry.

Our Sunday-school gladly engaged to contribute one half of his support, while a preacher of the gospel in heathen lands. The other part was to be raised by the

ladies of the sewing society. And he was thus sent forth, by our church, in accordance with the longcherished desires of his heart, as a missionary to the western coast of Africa. Notwithstanding the well-known dangers of the climate, he was sanguine in the hopes of a long and useful life. In a few weeks after his arrival, however, he fell a victim to the acclimating fever. His dying bed was made by Christ. "I lean," he said, "upon the everlasting arm." "Oh it is a comforting thought, that I shall leave all my sins behind." "Lord, I believe, help Thou mine unbelief." "I know that Jesus Christ died for me, and *on this I rely*." When a Christian endeavoured to restrain him from over exertion, he replied: "I feel that I must talk. My time is short, and I must spend it for Christ. We ought to do all we can to glorify him, who has done so much for us." We are told by the eye-witness of this dying scene, that "he said much more;" "but," as is justly remarked, "this is enough, for all who knew him, to show that he died glorying in the cross!" The few weeks which our now glorified friend spent in Africa, evinced his abiding interest in our school. Long and interesting letters to the children, prepared by his pen, have been forwarded since his death. Our school intends to show their interest in the object for which he sacrificed his life, by contributing one-third of the stated salary of the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Payne, to whom we pray many years of useful labour may be vouchsafed.

By permission of the Vestry, it is likewise proposed to erect a suitable monument to the deceased within the church. We know not, that a better lesson can be derived from the life and death of our former beloved colleague, than to call to mind his eager use of every opportunity of usefulness which offered itself, while in a course of preparation as a missionary to a heathen land. His life would have been in a measure fruitless, had he spent it in a state of idle hope, or reverie, until he reached that distant shore. But, by doing "with his might what his hands found to do," he "being dead, yet speaketh." Let us, fellow-teachers, look at this example of our beloved forerunner into the presence and rest of Christ, and "go and do likewise."

## NINTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

*Dorcas Society of the Church of the Epiphany.*

THE Board of Managers submit to the Society the following as a statement of the proceedings of the past season :

"We have had 49 members and 22 meetings; 684 garments have been distributed. About 100 families have been assisted, and over double that number of individuals. The Treasurer reports the receipt of \$111.71 donations, \$80 subscriptions. Whole amount \$191.71. Expenditures \$191.71. The following donations in materials have been also received: 1 piece Kentucky jean, 1 of satinet, 1 of twilled muslin, 1 of Canton flannel, 1 of gala plaid, 1 of black muslin, 1 of calico. 31 hoods, 5 dresses, 2 cloaks, 6 mufflers, 5 shawls, 3 pair gum shoes, 1 suit of clothes, buttons, a parcel of dry goods and a lot of clothing.

"Our desire would be to relieve the necessities of *all* the deserving poor of the congregation, but we have been compelled to confine our attention mostly to the destitute little ones. In this, we have not been prompted by any selfish feeling to assist them to the exclusion of

others, but conscientiously believing it a duty to minister first to the Sunday-school.

"We must, in closing our Report, offer a tribute of gratitude to our Heavenly Benefactor, and cordial thanks to all who by their prayers or means have enabled us to do good.

"March 31, 1847."

## BENEVOLENT OPERATIONS.

The various collections of the past year have been according to the following account of Z. LOCKE, Parish Treasurer :

*Receipts.*

|                                                               |          |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Collection for Foreign Missions,                              | \$106 71 |
| Donation for Mission to China,                                | 50 00    |
| Ladies' Sewing Society, for Africa,                           | 250 00   |
| Sunday-schools, for Missions,                                 | 310 00   |
| Do. for a Tablet to the memory<br>of Rev. E. J. P. Messinger, | 125 00   |
| Donation for Church, Logansport, Indiana,                     | 25 00    |
| Do. for Church in Delaware,                                   | 10 00    |
| Do. for Church in Clarksboro', N. J.                          | 100 00   |
| Do. for Church in Hopkinsville, Ky.                           | 25 00    |
| Do. for Jewish Chapel,                                        | 10 00    |

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| Collection for the suffering poor of Ireland and Scotland, - - - | 515 75     |
| From the Collecting Committee during the year, - - - - -         | 3,707 18   |
| Balance on hand from last year, - - -                            | 371 00     |
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|                                                                  | \$5,605 75 |

*Paid by order of the Vestry:*

|                                                                     |          |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| To Bishop Johns for Theol. Seminary, Va. -                          | \$400 00 |
| To Foreign Committee for Mission to China, -                        | 75 00    |
| Do. do. to Africa, -                                                | 100 00   |
| Do. Salary of Mr. and Mrs. Payne in Africa, for 1847, - - -         | 750 00   |
| To Foreign Committee for support of 3 children in Africa, - - - -   | 60 00    |
| To Agent for Foreign Missions, - - -                                | 10 00    |
| To Philadelphia Bible Society, - - -                                | 100 00   |
| To Education of Young Men for the Ministry, -                       | 275 00   |
| To Annual payment for support of Episcopate, -                      | 150 00   |
| For Convention expenses, - - - -                                    | 50 00    |
| To Rev. S. Stratton for Mount Zion Sunday-school, - - - - -         | 25 00    |
| To branch Sunday-school of Church of Epiphany, - - - - -            | 50 00    |
| To Treasurer of Sunday-schools of Church of the Epiphany, - - - - - | 250 00   |
| To American Sunday-school Union, - - -                              | 100 00   |
| Do. do. for the West, - - -                                         | 60 00    |

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| To Church at St. Mary's, Georgia, - - -                             | 115 00     |
| Do. at Springville, Pa. - - -                                       | 25 00      |
| Do. at Logansport, Indiana, - - -                                   | 25 00      |
| Do. at Hopkinsville, Ky. - - -                                      | 25 00      |
| Do. at Clarksboro', N. J. - - -                                     | 100 00     |
| Do. at Burlington, Iowa, - - -                                      | 25 00      |
| To Advent Church, Northern Liberties, -                             | 100 00     |
| To Church of the Evangelists, Southwark, -                          | 75 00      |
| To Rev. T. G. Allen, City Missionary, -                             | 100 00     |
| To Rev. Mr. Childs, Church in Delaware, -                           | 10 00      |
| Do. Matthews, Church in Mississippi, -                              | 25 00      |
| Do. Maxwell, Colporteur, Kensing. -                                 | 25 00      |
| Do. Labagh for Jewish Chapel, - - -                                 | 10 00      |
| Do. Colton, Miss'ry. Towanda, Pa. -                                 | 50 00      |
| Do. Kirk, do. Downingtown, - - -                                    | 50 00      |
| To Mr. T. Robins, Treasurer of Irish Fund, -                        | 515 75     |
| To Tablet erected in Church to the Memory of Mr. Messenger, - - - - | 125 00     |
| To Parish Missionary, - - - - -                                     | 500 00     |
| To Church Wardens for Church Debt, - - -                            | 1,250 00   |
|                                                                     | <hr/>      |
|                                                                     | \$5,605 75 |

## LADIES' SEWING SOCIETY.

MARIANNE WALKER, *Treasurer, in account with Sewing Society of the Church of Epiphany, from March 20, 1846, to March 23, 1847.*

Dr.

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| To balance from last account, | \$13 89  |
| Subscriptions,                | 18 00    |
| Sales and donations,          | 351 02   |
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|                               | \$382 91 |

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|--------------------------|--------------|
| By Cash paid Mr. Fowles, | \$100 00     |
| Do. do. Mr. Fowles,      | 150 00       |
| Materials purchased,     | 100 07       |
| Balance remaining,       | 32 84—382 91 |

## CONCLUSION.

While there is abundant reason to mourn our general lukewarmness, and to fear it is not with many "as in months that are past," yet the above statistics show, that, in the good providence of God, we are still accompanied by outward prosperity. Our various parochial contributions toward charitable and religious objects far exceed those of the previous year—and including the communion alms, amounts to nearly *six thousand dollars*. This increase is to be attributed to the adoption of a system of annual subscription, instead of monthly collections. With the aid of the Sewing Society and the Sunday-schools, the support of Mr. and Mrs. Payne in Western Africa, where they have been long and usefully labouring as the Missionaries of Christ, has been undertaken, in place of that of our lamented friend and brother, the Rev. E. J. P. Messinger. General interest is felt throughout the congregation in this enterprise, and it promises good, not only to the perishing heathen, but to our own needy souls. While thus attempting to water others, may we all, according to the precious promise, be watered ourselves, and, as trees of the Lord's planting, "flourish in the courts of our God."

Your affectionate pastor,

J. H. FOWLES.

FOURTEENTH  
PASTORAL REPORT  
OF THE  
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,  
Philadelphia.

PRESENTED TO THE CONGREGATION AT

Easter, April 23, 1848,

BY

THE RECTOR.



PHILADELPHIA :

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# NOTICE.

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THE following named gentlemen compose the Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, elected on Easter-Monday, April 24, 1848.

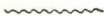
LEWIS R. ASHHURST, } *Church Wardens.*  
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 JOHN HOCKLEY,  
 JOSHUA COWPLAND,  
 EDWARD OL MSTED,  
 JOHN J. REESE.

*Sexton.*

JACOB LEIDY.

# CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

EASTER, 1847.



## MARRIAGES.

I officiated at *twelve* marriages during the year. The Rev. Mr. VAN PELT at *three*, making *fifteen* in all.

## BAPTISMS.

I baptized *fifty-five* children, and the Rev. Mr. VAN PELT baptized *fourteen*, making a total of *sixty-nine*.

## CONFIRMATION.

On the 10th Nov. 1847, John J. Tschudy, who was then sick, and who has since departed this life in the unshaken hope of a joyful resurrection, was confirmed, by the Rt. Rev., the Bishop of the Diocese, at

the residence of his mother. By the same, on the 19th March, 1848, Miss Mary Richards, was confirmed, with my consent, in the Church of St. James the Less.

By the same, on the 26th of the same month, there were confirmed *eleven* persons, as follows :

|                     |                    |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| Emma Brown,         | Catharine M'Elwee, |
| Louisa Bryant,      | George Reese,      |
| Sarah Butler,       | Julia Rush,        |
| Edward Clarkson,    | Mary Saville,      |
| Mrs. Sarah Donohue, | James Whitney.     |
| Benjamin Homer,     |                    |

These, together with the two previously mentioned, make a total of *thirteen*.

### COMMUNICANTS.

At our last report, we numbered *five hundred and twenty four*. Since that period, we have suffered a reduction of *thirty-one* by deaths and removals. This large loss is chiefly to be attributed to the organization of new congregations in our neighbourhood, with which several of our esteemed members have connected themselves, either from personal convenience, or for the purpose of furthering a common cause. In the meanwhile, our list has been increased by the addition of *forty-five*, all of whom, with the exception of four or

five, whose names had been unintentionally omitted in previous reports, have joined us within the last year. So that our present list contains the names of *five hundred and thirty-eight*, exceeding that reported twelve months since by *fourteen*.

The following are the *forty-five* persons alluded to above:

|                           |                      |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| George Alkins,            | Samuel Ifill,        |
| Mrs. Mary Alkins,         | Thomas Ifill,        |
| Caroline A. Batturs,      | David Ireland,       |
| Catharine A. Bonnar,      | John T. Jones,       |
| Emma Brown,               | Mary Ann Kees,       |
| Louisa Bryant,            | Ellen Kirkpatrick,   |
| Sarah Butler,             | William Maris,       |
| Edward Clarkson,          | Catharine M'Elwee,   |
| Mrs. Matilda Crothers,    | Mrs. Jane M'Henry,   |
| William S. Crothers,      | Jane M'Minn,         |
| Mary Davis,               | Ann M'Nicholl,       |
| Mrs. Sarah Donohue,       | Mary Ann Porter,     |
| Joseph K. Eyre,           | George Reese,        |
| Mary Gatliff,             | Julia Rush,          |
| Mrs. Elizabeth A. Groome, | Mary Saville,        |
| Mrs. Rebecca Gumbs,       | Ann Smyth,           |
| Mrs. Mary N. Hall,        | Elizabeth Smyth,     |
| M. A. Haswell,            | John Tschudy,        |
| Benjamin Homer,           | Edward L. Walker,    |
| Ellen Ifill,              | Mrs. Frances Walker, |

Charlotte M. Wetherill, Charles F. Wreaks,  
 Rachel P. Wetherill, Mrs. Ellen M. Wreaks.  
 James Whitney,

### BURIALS:

Of these there have been *thirteen* of adults and *eight* of children.

### THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Sunday-School Association of the Church of the  
*Epiphany.*

*January, 1848.*

We may congratulate ourselves, that, under the gracious protection of God, not a single death has occurred in our Association, during the past year. Changes have taken place—some have resigned, and others removed; but their vacancies have been filled, and the schools are now supplied with as efficient a corps of teachers as they ever possessed. The scholars, too, never appeared to greater advantage, than at the late Anniversary. The orderly and attentive conduct of so many hundreds of children, together with the sweet notes of their youthful voices when raised in praise to God, not only deeply interested every parent, but attracted the admiration of mere visitors. It is pleasing to know, that the children were gratified with the exercises of this, their annual jubilee, and that the books which were distributed, afforded universal satisfaction.

In numbers, the schools are flourishing. The Female Department fully maintains its own. In the sum total of the pupils in the different branches of the Male Department, the statistics will show that we have sustained a considerable loss. The intermediate school of this department, it will be perceived, has rather increased. But the Bible Classes, from various causes, have declined. Indeed, they were at one time discontinued, and have been only lately revived and incorporated into one, under good auspices, although with diminished numbers. The Infant School, too, is not as large as it was a year ago. This is to be attributed to the removal of the late active visiter, and to the fact of her place not having as yet been supplied. The Branch School reported last year, it should likewise be remembered, has been discontinued—it having been merged in another enterprise of an entirely independent character. It will not be considered, then, discouraging when we report a loss of 41 in this Department. The following is a summary of the whole:

*Male Department.*

|                              | Teachers. | Scholars. |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Intermediate School, -       | 34        | 250       |
| Bible Class, - - -           | 1         | 10        |
| Infant Class, - - -          | 1         | 73        |
| Boys in Female Infant Class, |           | 26        |
| <hr/>                        |           | <hr/>     |
| Total,                       | 36        | 359       |

*Female Department.*

|                        | Teachers. | Scholars. |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Intermediate School, - | 35        | 296       |
| Bible Classes, - - -   | 3         | 53        |
| Infant Class, - - -    | 1         | 64        |
| <hr/>                  |           | <hr/>     |
|                        | 39        | 413       |
|                        | 36        | 359       |
| <hr/>                  |           | <hr/>     |
| Total,                 | 75        | 772       |

By the contributions of the different Schools, a neat tablet has been erected in the Church, to the memory of our late beloved Missionary in Western Africa, the Rev. E. J. P. Messinger, at a cost of \$125.

There has been, in consequence, a slight falling off in our missionary collections; although the sums received are more than our engagements require. The contributions from the Male Department have been \$135, and from the Female \$217 16, making a total of \$352 16. The whole amount collected from the Schools is, therefore, \$477 16. During the year, interesting communications have been received from Mr. and Mrs. Payne in Africa; and all must be fully persuaded that our charities could not have been more usefully appropriated, than towards the support of such approved Missionaries of Christ.

At the last annual confirmation in the Church, there were nine from the Bible Classes, and two from the

principal Female School, who made a profession of a change of heart. Although scarcely more than one in each hundred has thus, within the year, been brought, as it is hoped, under the regenerating influence of God's Spirit, yet there is every reason for thankfulness and renewed effort, in view of such an amount of success. We might well persevere in our work and prayer, if no effect immediately followed—knowing into whose hand the whole had been committed, and that the Lord would not suffer our labour ultimately to be in vain, but might in after years cause the seed sown to spring up and bear fruit to everlasting life. But when we are encouraged by an apparently blessed harvest, even while we are cultivating a soil, from which faithlessness is so apt to expect no fruit until some future year, it would be highly sinful to despond. Instances of seriousness are reported in some of the classes now. It should be our constant petition, not only that these should become deeper and result in conversion unto God, but that the number of such may be increased.

A deeply interesting death among the scholars has occurred since our last annual report. It was that of a little girl about thirteen years of age. She had always been remarkable for a maturity of mind beyond her time of life. This was in a measure to be ascribed to her protracted disease, which prevented her from engaging in the active sports of children, and fitted her

by its chastening effects for associating with those of riper years. A work of grace had been apparently begun in her heart before she had any acquaintance with the writer of these lines; and yet, in the first periods of our intercourse, she expressed rather desire and doubt about her own case, than joy and assurance in conscious faith. The first of these feelings, however, gradually ripened into the last; and with such a sense of her own sinfulness and of the fulness of her Saviour, was she at length possessed, that when the duty of uniting herself with the visible people of Christ by the commemoration in the Lord's Supper of His death, was suggested to her, she cordially accepted the invitation, as a privilege which, though long desired, she had not ventured, to ask.

With a few friends as partakers, the ordinance was administered in the presence of the family. The whole service was solemn and impressive; and it led, as we trust, to the first conviction and ultimate conversion of a witness of the scene. For many months the little patient continued to linger. Severe and protracted were her sufferings, but great was the meekness and patience of her spirit. Her outward man almost perceptibly perished day by day, but her inward man was correspondingly renewed. At length, in September last, her suffering spirit was released; and, although denied the privilege, from the loss of the power of articulation, of communicating the words which she yet

attempted to whisper in the ear of each member of the household, it may be said of her truly, that "being dead she yet speaketh." In the estimation of this remarkable child, great were the privileges of the Sunday-school, of which she had been so long deprived. She would often allude, on the morning of the Lord's day, to the picture which her mind drew of the scenes and occupations of the school, and express a desire, in submission to God's will, to witness, and join in them. What responsibilities devolve, then, on us, as the directors and teachers of a school, whose privileges are longed for by the suffering and dying! And may our hire be the gift of many souls, whom we may present, in the close of our days, before the common Saviour of the teacher and the taught, as our children in the Lord.

## TENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

### *Dorcas Society of the Church of the Epiphany.*

OUR Society resumed its yearly operations on the 3d of November last; and, since that time, we have had 21 meetings—53 members are enrolled for the last year, although all of these were never present at any one time. About 120 families have been assisted. Nearly all of these were connected with the Sunday-school. By advice of the Pastor and Vestry-men of the Church, the plan of issuing printed certificates has been adopted. These are signed by the Superintendents of the Sunday-school, and show the punctuality and the destitution of each child. This arrangement has prevented all imposition. It has, however, in a degree, limited the operations of the Society. The relief extended has been to few, in comparison with other seasons; but these few have been liberally and effectually supplied.

The Treasurer reports the receipt of \$82.50, subscriptions: \$137.50 donation. Whole amount, \$220.00. Expenditure, \$220.00. Donations in materials—3 pieces of muslin, 4 of calico, 1 Kentucky jeans, 1 of flannel, 12 yards of flannel, 3 pieces of Canton flannel, 42 hoods, 2 shawls, several pairs of stockings. 800 garments have been distributed during the year: and it may not be uninteresting to know that, during the ten years which have passed, 6,452 articles of clothing have been given out, and \$1,546.20 have been expended.

*March 29, 1848.*

## BENEVOLENT OPERATIONS.

The various collections of the past year have been, according to the following account of Z. LOCKE, Parish Treasurer:

### *Receipts.*

|                                                                                              |            |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Ladies' Sewing Society, for Africa, . . .                                                    | \$250 00   |
| Sunday-schools, for Missions, . . .                                                          | 250 00     |
| Do. Education of 3 children, Africa, . . .                                                   | 60 00      |
| Do. for Sunday-schools in the West, . . .                                                    | 60 00      |
| Two Ladies, education of Isaac Cannell, Africa, . . . . .                                    | 30 00      |
| From the Collecting Committee during the year, . . . . .                                     | 3,315 77   |
| Donations and Subscriptions to Society for the promotion of Evangelical knowledge, . . . . . | 241 00     |
| Balance due the Treasurer, . . . . .                                                         | 66 05      |
|                                                                                              | <hr/>      |
|                                                                                              | \$4,272 82 |

*Paid by order of the Vestry:*

|                                                                     |        |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| To Foreign Committee for support of 3 children in Africa, . . . . . | 60 00  |
| Do. Support of Isaac Cannell, do., .                                | 30 00  |
| Do. Salary of Mr. and Mrs. Payne in Africa, for 1847, . . . . .     | 750 00 |
| To Philadelphia Bible Society, . .                                  | 100 00 |
| To Education of Young Men for the Ministry, . . . . .               | 245 00 |
| To Annual payment for support of Episcopate, . . . . .              | 150 00 |
| For Convention expenses, . . . .                                    | 50 00  |
| To Treasurer of Sunday-schools of Church of the Epiphany, . . . . . | 251 82 |
| To American Sunday-school Union, . .                                | 100 00 |
| Do. do. for the West, . . . .                                       | 60 00  |
| To Seamen's Friend Society, . . . .                                 | 50 00  |
| To Bishop White Prayer-book Society, .                              | 25 00  |
| To Evangelical Knowledge Society, .                                 | 241 00 |
| To Philadelphia Sabbath Association, .                              | 10 00  |
| To Church at Washington, Pennsylvania, .                            | 50 00  |
| Do. at Zanesville, Ohio, . . . .                                    | 25 00  |
| To Church of the Evangelists, Southwark, .                          | 50 00  |
| To Rev. T. G. Allen, City Missionary, .                             | 50 00  |
| Do. Mr. Maxwell, Colporteur, Kens. .                                | 25 00  |
| Do. Mr. Colton, Mis'ry, Bradford Co., Pennsylvania, . . . . .       | 95 00  |

|                                          |            |
|------------------------------------------|------------|
| Do. Mr. Kirk, do. Downingtown . . . .    | 50 00      |
| Do. Mr. Wiltberger, do. Bucks Co., . . . | 30 00      |
| Do. Mr. Batcheller, do. . . . .          | 25 00      |
| To Parish Missionary, . . . . .          | 500 00     |
| To Church Wardens for Church Debt, . .   | 1,250 00   |
|                                          | <hr/>      |
|                                          | \$4,272 82 |

## LADIES' SEWING SOCIETY.

MARIANNA WALKER, *Treasurer, in account with  
Sewing Society of the Church of Epiphany, from  
March 20, 1846, to March 20, 1847.*

## Dr.

|                               |   |   |   |          |
|-------------------------------|---|---|---|----------|
| To balance from last account, | . | . | . | \$32 84  |
| Subscriptions,                | . | . | . | 16 00    |
| Sales and donations,          | . | . | . | 434 81   |
|                               |   |   |   | <hr/>    |
|                               |   |   |   | \$483 65 |

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|                               |   |   |               |
|-------------------------------|---|---|---------------|
| By Cash paid African Mission, | . | . | \$250 00      |
| Materials purchased,          | . | . | 71 33         |
| Balance remaining,            | . | . | 162 32—483 65 |

## CONCLUSION.

We have received many tokens of the Divine favour within the year just closed. Among others, it may be considered worthy of record, that there has been awakened in the hearts of many a deep interest in the financial condition of our Church, which has always been a subject of some solicitude, on account of our large indebtedness. The result of this interest has been very gratifying to all who wish us well. Pledges have been received from responsible sources, which, together with sums appropriated by the order of the Vestry, during the past two years, will, by the blessing of God, have reduced the pecuniary obligations of the Corporation, on Easter Monday, 1850, some thirteen or fourteen thousand dollars, since my pastoral connection with the Church. From our ordinary income it is thus hoped, that a sinking fund will be then secured, which will ultimately enable us to say, that, according to the Apostolic injunction, we "owe no man any thing." Such, too, have been the interest and the diligence of the members of the Ladies' Sewing Society, and such was the amount of patronage which they received, that, at their semi-annual sale, in December,

they realized a sum sufficient to meet their quota of Mr. and Mrs. Payne's salary, for the whole year, and are thus enabled to appropriate the proceeds of the approaching spring sale, towards the liquidation of our Church debt.

It is also gratifying to state, that these advantages have been secured for ourselves without any perceptible diminution during the past year, and (it is to be hoped) during the years to come, in the amount of our contributions towards the cause of Christ at large.

What, then, shall we render to the Lord for all these benefits? Would that we could point to many souls which had been given to us for Christ as the reward of our spiritual labours! But, alas! in this, the most important respect, how little has been rightly attempted, how little successfully accomplished! Few have been added to our Church of such as shall be saved. While perhaps we have been as free as others of the great household of faith from instances of apparent worldliness—while we cannot but hope that holy desires and inward growth have characterized many of our members during the last twelve months, yet is there not some ground to fear that, as individuals, and as a congregation, we are involved in that outward prosperity and spiritual blight, which now seem to characterize Christ's universal church, that our request has been given, but together with it, leanness has been sent into our soul? While thankful, then, for temporal prosperity, yet let

each confess his own sins and those of the congregation, and with a mourning heart pray: "Oh! that it were with us as in years that are past, when the candle of the Lord shone up us, and by His light we walked through darkness."

Your affectionate pastor,

J. H. FOWLES.

FIFTEENTH  
PASTORAL REPORT  
OF THE  
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,  
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PRESENTED TO THE CONGREGATION AT

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|                      |                          |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| LEWIS R. ASHHURST,   | } <i>Church Wardens.</i> |
| CASPAR MORRIS,       |                          |
| THOMAS S. TAYLOR,    |                          |
| FREDERICK W. PORTER, |                          |
| GEORGE B. REESE,     |                          |
| ZEBULON LOCKE,       |                          |
| ALLIN ROBINETT,      |                          |
| WILLIAM E. BOWEN,    |                          |
| JOHN HOCKLEY,        |                          |
| JOSHUA COWPLAND,     |                          |
| EDWARD OLMSTED,      |                          |
| JOHN J. REESE.       |                          |

*Sexton.*

JACOB LEIDY.

# CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

EASTER, 1849.

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## MARRIAGES.

I officiated at *twelve* marriages during the year.

## BAPTISMS.

I baptized *two* adults and *forty-one* infants, and the Rev. Mr. VAN PELT baptized *five* infants, making a total of *forty-eight*.

## CONFIRMATIONS.

On Friday, the 12th of May, 1848, the Rt. Rev., the Bishop of the Diocese, confirmed the *three* persons whose names follow:

Fanny Darrach,  
Emma Newbold.

Eliza Jacobs,

On Sunday, the 18th of March, 1849, there were confirmed by the same, the following *eleven* persons.

|                       |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Helen E. Ashhurst,    | Mrs. Margaret Martin, |
| Margaret Christie,    | Jacob Reese,          |
| Harriet Hockley,      | Harriet Shaw,         |
| Edmund Hopper,        | Amelia Smith,         |
| Angelina B. Lockwood, | George Whitney.       |
| Frances E. Lockwood,  |                       |

#### COMMUNICANTS.

Of these there have died or removed *twenty-seven*, and there have been added *thirty-two*. As there were reported last year *five hundred and thirty-eight*, our present list contains *five hundred and forty-three*.

The following are the names of the *thirty-two* new communicants.

|                        |                          |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| John Ash,              | Mrs. Sarah B. Hopper,    |
| Helen E. Ashhurst,     | Eliza Jacobs,            |
| Eliza Barclay,         | Angelina B. Lockwood,    |
| Mrs. Mary Brunt,       | Frances E. Lockwood,     |
| Margaret Christie,     | Mary Maloy,              |
| Catharine Davis,       | Mrs. Margaret E. Martin, |
| Mrs. Lucretia Dunn,    | Emma Newbold,            |
| Mrs. Sarah M. L. Gill, | James Peacock,           |
| Harriet Hockley,       | Mrs. Louisa V. Peacock,  |
| Edmund Hopper,         | John Potter,             |

|                          |                      |
|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Mrs. Anna W. Reed,       | Ann Smith,           |
| Jacob Reese,             | Catharine Stockton,  |
| George Hermann Robinett, | Mrs. Maria Stockton, |
| Mrs. Sarah Sergeant,     | Mary Stockton,       |
| Harriet Shaw,            | Susan Weir,          |
| Amelia Smith,            | George Whitney.      |

#### BURIALS.

Of these there have been *eleven* of adults and *six* of children.

## FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Sunday-school Association of the Church of the  
Epiphany.

January, 1849.

THE present Annual Report must consist chiefly of statistics, scarcely any thing of a peculiarly striking character, and which might be considered as worthy of a record here, has occurred within the past year.

Our late Anniversary, both in the numbers and appearance of the scholars, was quite equal to any of those which immediately preceded it. The same interest, too, was manifested on the part of all concerned, which has been so gratifying in these celebrations heretofore.

To those without our Association, and among these especially, to the members of the Dorcas Society, who have assisted us in furnishing the poorer children with the means of weekly attendance upon the exercises of the school, and of joining in our recent Annual Ser-

vices, we would hereby render our customary, but yet heartfelt tribute of thanks.

It would also be ungrateful, if we did not raise our Ebenezer upon the present occasion, in view of having been assisted by Him, who alone is strong, to bring our large charge safely and peacefully to its present advanced stage. If it be not our privilege to have witnessed, within the period now reported, any lengthening, we have not to regret any shortening of our cords, while the conviction is humbly entertained, that there has been a strengthening of our stakes. May God, to the glory of His grace in Christ, pardon our sins, purify our hearts, inflame us with zeal, and give us abundant success.

As usual, we have to record the retirement or removal to other posts of duty, of a few of our esteemed fellow-laborers. Among these, we especially mourn over the loss of one, whose Christian amiability, intelligence, and energy had endeared her to all hearts. But the consolation is afforded us, that she is in another important sphere, exercising that same blessed influence for which she was qualified, and which she was so happily exerting in our midst. While, however, they in whom we had learned to confide are called elsewhere, it should be a source of comfort and thankfulness, to be assured, that younger servants of Christ have risen to fill the gap, upon whom it is our prayer,

that a double portion of that Spirit, who, we trust, actuated those who have gone, may rest.

From the reports of the heads of the different departments, it would appear, that the following is a correct summary of the numbers in our schools:—

*Male Department.*

|                              | Teachers. | Scholars. |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Intermediate School, - -     | 30        | 210       |
| Bible Class, - - -           | 1         | 11        |
| Infant Class, - - -          | 1         | 60        |
| Boys in Female Infant Class, |           | 30        |
| Total,                       | 32        | 311       |

*Female Department.*

|                          | Teachers. | Scholars. |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Intermediate School, - - | 35        | 318       |
| Bible Classes, - - -     | 3         | 60        |
| Infant Class, - - -      | 1         | 64        |
| Total,                   | 39        | 442       |

In the Female Department, another Infant Class under the happiest auspices, and numbering forty pupils, has been organized. As reported above, however, its numbers have been incorporated with those of the Intermediate School.

Our missionary collections during the year, have been as follows:

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| From the Male Department, - - | \$125 00 |
| From the Female, - - -        | 247 00   |
| Amounting in all to - - -     | 372 00   |

Of this, \$250 will, of course, be appropriated as the quota of the school, towards the support of Mr. and Mrs. Payne in Africa by our Church. The continued health and usefulness of these beloved missionaries, is a providence for which we cannot be too thankful. Contributing to an object in every way so approved, as the maintenance of these missionaries, is scarcely second in interest to any of our operations. While thus doing good too, our own charge is incalculably benefited; forming, as we trust, the habit of giving to Christ's cause, and gaining valuable information about the state and claims of the heathen world.

It will thus be seen, that, in every temporal matter, we have only to praise God for continued prosperity. Nor, in our higher interests, have we been without some tokens of God's gracious favor. Of the sixteen persons confirmed within the past year, fourteen were connected with our school in its various branches. That the spiritual privileges enjoyed within our pale, were highly instrumental in effecting that saving change, which, it is hoped, has been wrought within these souls, is unquestionable. Thus is our school shown to be one of

the creative channels of that spiritual good, which our Church receives from God. Nor are the blessings limited to what occurs among us and before our eyes. In future years, and it may be in distant regions, many, at present, under our care, and giving no signs of interest in that gospel which we teach, may be brought to lay to heart the lessons which they now neglect. A letter has been recently received from a late pupil of our school, removed to South America, where he enjoys none of the stated public means of grace, and where his opportunities of Christian intercourse are extremely limited, in which he professes a change of heart, and gives, by the expression of his feelings, good ground to hope, that he has been truly born again. To the advantages he enjoyed here, he attributes the blessing which has reached him there.

Such, then, is our report for the last year. In it there may be nothing to attract the attention of the children of this world. Our history, if written, would be chiefly filled up with the record of the persevering, and, it is hoped, faithful discharge of the most unpretending duties.

While other portions of the earth have been agitated by commotions and alarms, the Almighty has afforded us a refuge under the shadow of his wings, and the opportunity has been granted of pursuing our course in all godly quietness and peace. While many, too, im-

mediately around, have been wholly absorbed in worldly objects, it has been our privilege, in this secluded circle, to be engaged in furthering the interests of that kingdom, which is spiritual and everlasting. Let others despise our calling as weak and foolish; but let a feeling above contentment fill our bosom, and to the bounteous source of that unmerited protection and grace, which have been received, let us render our humble and hearty thanks.

## ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

*Dorcas Society of the Church of the Epiphany.*

THE operations of the Society during the season, have been as usual. We have had 22 meetings, and 50 attending members. The assistance from others of the congregation, has been exceedingly gratifying, and we return our sincere thanks for their many proofs of kind interest and unwearied industry. More than two hundred families, have received aid, and 820 garments have been distributed. We have received as subscriptions, \$90 50; donations, \$100 00. Whole amount, \$190 50. Expenses, \$185 00; balance, \$5 00. Donations in materials—4 pieces of calico, 4 pieces of Canton flannel, 2 of red flannel, 1 of Kentucky jean, 45 hoods, 7 shawls, 5 yards of cloth, 1 dress, 2 pair of stockings, 2 shirts, 2 jackets.

*March, 1849.*

## LADIES' SEWING SOCIETY.

MARIANNE WALKER, *Treasurer, in account with Sewing Society of the Church of Epiphany, from March 20, 1848, to March 20, 1849.*

## Dr.

|                                          |   |   |   |       |    |
|------------------------------------------|---|---|---|-------|----|
| To balance from last account,            | . | . | . | \$162 | 32 |
| Subscriptions,                           | . | . | . | 13    | 50 |
| Sales and donations for African Mission, | . |   |   | 247   | 28 |
| “ “ “ for Church debt,                   | . |   |   | 263   | 62 |
|                                          |   |   |   | <hr/> |    |
|                                          |   |   |   | \$686 | 72 |

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|                                          |   |   |   |       |        |
|------------------------------------------|---|---|---|-------|--------|
| By Cash paid African Mission,            | . |   |   | \$250 | 00     |
| “ “ on acct. Church debt,                |   |   |   | 200   | 00     |
| Materials on account of African Mission, | . | . | . | 172   | 81     |
| Materials on account of Church Debt,     | . | . | . | 63    | 62     |
| Balance remaining,                       | . | , | . | 29    | 686 72 |

## BENEVOLENT OPERATIONS.

The various collections of the past year have been, according to the following account of Z. Locke, Parish Treasurer :

*Receipts.*

|                                                      |            |
|------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Ladies' Sewing Society, for Africa, . . .            | \$250 00   |
| Sunday-schools, for Missions, . . .                  | 250 00     |
| Do. Education of 3 children, Africa, . . .           | 60 00      |
| Do. for Sunday-schools in the West, . . .            | 40 00      |
| Do. for printing-press for African Mission, . . .    | 82 62      |
| Ladies' Society for the Jews, . . .                  | 100 00     |
| Donations to American Tract Society, . . .           | 162 75     |
| From the Collecting Committee during the year, . . . | 2,466 75   |
|                                                      | <hr/>      |
|                                                      | \$3,412,12 |

*Paid by order of the Vestry.*

|                                                                 |        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Balance due the Treasurer, . . .                                | 66 05  |
| To Foreign Committee for support of 3 children in Africa, . . . | 60 00  |
| Do. Salary of Mr. and Mrs. Payne in Africa, for 1849, . . .     | 750 00 |
| Do. for building church in Africa, . . .                        | 50 00  |
| Do. for China Mission, . . .                                    | 100 00 |
| Rev. J. Rambo, for Africa, . . .                                | 50 00  |
| Printing-press for Africa, . . .                                | 104 52 |
| To Philadelphia Bible Society, . . .                            | 50 00  |
| To Education of Young Men for the Ministry, . . .               | 175 00 |
| To Annual payment for support of Episcopate, . . .              | 150 00 |
| For Convention expenses, . . .                                  | 50 00  |
| To Treasurer of Sunday-schools of Church of the Epiphany, . . . | 268 00 |
| To American Sunday-school Union, . . .                          | 90 00  |
| Do. do. L. M., . . .                                            | 30 00  |
| To Seamen's Friend Society, . . .                               | 25 00  |
| To Bishop White Prayer-book Society, . . .                      | 25 00  |
| To Evangelical Knowledge Society, . . .                         | 25 00  |
| To Church of the Nativity, Spring Garden, . . .                 | 50 00  |
| To Church of the Messiah, Port Richmond, . . .                  | 50 00  |
| To Ch. of the Crucifixion, Moyamensing, . . .                   | 25 00  |

|                                                                |            |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| To Church of the Evangelists, Southwark,                       | 50 00      |
| To Rev. T. G. Allen, City Missionary, .                        | 50 00      |
| Do. Mr. Maxwell, Colporteur, Kens., .                          | 25 00      |
| Do. Mr. Kirk, Downingtown, .                                   | 50 00      |
| Do. Mr. Wiltberger, Bucks Co., .                               | 50 00      |
| Do. Mr. Hard, Delaware Co., .                                  | 50 00      |
| Do. Mr. Beckett, Hopkinsville, Ky., .                          | 19 00      |
| Do. Mr. Thayer, printing Prayer-book<br>for the blind, . . . . | 20 00      |
| London Jews Society, . . . .                                   | 100 00     |
| American Tract Society, . . . .                                | 162 75     |
| To Parish Missionaries, . . . .                                | 525 00     |
| To Church Wardens for Church Debt, .                           | 100 00     |
| Balance in hands of Treasurer, . . .                           | 16 80      |
|                                                                | <hr/>      |
|                                                                | \$3,412 12 |

## CONCLUSION.

In addition to the above, it may be stated, as a matter for thankfulness, that the plan which was devised and commenced, about a year since, for the liquidation of a portion of our church debt, is now in a course of successful operation. There is every prospect, that at next Easter, it will be in our power to report, that the sanguine hopes which were entertained on this subject, twelve months ago, are fully realized. A comparison, then, of all the foregoing statistics, with those of previous years, will show that, notwithstanding the large losses which are sustained by the formation of new congregations in our neighbourhood, yet, in temporal affairs, we continue to be prospered. Our numbers have not diminished, and we are still a united and happy flock. But we have to deplore, that a contrast exists between the present and those periods of the past, which are remembered as "the years of the right hand of the Most High." "The ways of Zion mourn, because so few come to her solemn feasts." May we be quickened to renew, with a successful zeal, all Scriptural efforts, to promote in our own hearts, and in those

of our fellow-worshippers, the saving knowledge of Christ! May we all be preserved, in the good Providence of God, during our contemplated temporary absence from each other, to meet together, at the beginning of another season, with an humble, yet firm resolve, "not to be weary in well-doing;" assured that we shall ultimately "reap, if we faint not." In the meanwhile, "brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among them that are sanctified."

Your affectionate pastor,

J. H. FOWLES.

SIXTEENTH  
PASTORAL REPORT  
OF THE  
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,  
Philadelphia.

PRESENTED TO THE CONGREGATION AT

Easter, March 31, 1850.

BY

THE RECTOR.

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# NOTICE.

THIS is the sixteenth of an annual series to be printed alike, and presented to the congregation at Easter, in every year. If they are preserved, each member of the congregation will have a complete history of the Church from its commencement.

THE following named gentlemen compose the Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, elected on Easter-Monday, April 1, 1850.

|                      |                          |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| LEWIS R. ASHHURST,   | } <i>Church Wardens.</i> |
| FREDERICK W. PORTER, |                          |
| CASPAR MORRIS,       |                          |
| THOMAS S. TAYLOR,    |                          |
| GEORGE B. REESE,     |                          |
| ZEBULON LOCKE,       |                          |
| ALLIN ROBINETT,      |                          |
| WILLIAM E. BOWEN,    |                          |
| JOHN HOCKLEY,        |                          |
| JOSHUA COWPLAND,     |                          |
| EDWARD OLMSTED.      |                          |
| JOHN J. REESE.       |                          |

*Sexton.*

JACOB LEIDY.

# CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

EASTER, 1850.



## MARRIAGES.

I officiated at *eleven* marriages during the year, and the Rev. Mr. VAN PELT at *two*, making *thirteen* in all.

## BAPTISMS.

I baptized *thirty-seven* children, and the Rev. Mr. VAN PELT *fifteen*, making a total of *fifty-two*.

## CONFIRMATIONS.

The Episcopal visitation for the year 1850, has been deferred until some time after Easter. There are consequently no persons to be reported as having renewed the profession of their faith through this rite.

We have, however, the prospect of presenting at the set time, a larger class than usual.

## COMMUNICANTS.

A careful revision of the list of communicants has induced me to strike from it *seventy-nine*. Of these, by far the larger part had left the Church before it

came under my charge. Some of them, however, have died or removed during the past year. Another revision may make it appear, that there are still some continued on our books, who cannot rightfully be considered as belonging to our communion. This will probably take place next year, when a correct list of all our actual communicants may be published. There have been added during the year, *twenty-four*. Our present number is therefore, *four hundred and eighty-eight*.

The following are the names of the *twenty-four* new communicants.

|                          |                       |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Mrs. Elizabeth Appleton, | Lydia P. Leidy,       |
| Mrs. Joanna Bell,        | Alicia M'Cauley,      |
| Thomas Bell,             | Mrs. Anne M'Clellan,  |
| James Campbell,          | Isabella M'Intyre,    |
| Mrs. Rebecca Campbell,   | Ann Morrison,         |
| Annie Campbell,          | Mary M. Murray,       |
| Alice Campbell,          | Margaret Nugent,      |
| Anna Cowpland,           | Mrs. Eleanor Rand,    |
| Sarah Easton,            | Mrs. Mary Stockdale,  |
| Alexander Henderson,     | Mrs. Lavinia White,   |
| Mrs. Mary M. Henderson,  | Mrs. Mary J. Whitney, |
| Jane Jones,              | Mrs. Caroline Woods.  |

#### BURIALS.

Of these there have been *four* of adults and *three* of children.

## FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Sunday-school Association of the Church of the  
Epiphany.

JANUARY, 1850.

DURING the year 1849, God's blessing, in all temporal and eternal things, has continued to rest upon our charge. At the late Anniversary, the school, in numbers and interest, appeared quite equal to itself upon former occasions of the kind. Such a measure of prosperity, under the circumstances, calls for special thankfulness to God.

Some four years since, ours was the suburban Episcopal Church in this part of the city; and the children of the poor around found under its roof, the only religious instruction which was accessible to them on the Lord's day. But we are now flanked, both on the right and left, with flourishing congregations of our own communion, which have their several Sunday-schools. These have not only deprived us of the means of increase, but in some measure were constituted of the

pupils under our care. It is, therefore, a subject of gratitude, that while other schools have been partially built up by our own, the Lord, in His Providence, still reserves the same number of children for us to train up in His nurture and admonition.

Scarcely any Christian heart could, moreover, have looked upon the great number of healthful children in our assembled school at its recent celebration, without emotions of praise at the thought, that such a body of immortal and redeemed souls, had been preserved, during the last twelve months to hear the offer of mercy in a world of probation, while so many lives had been wasted by the pestilence. For the opportunity and ability, then, still to labor in His field, we would render our hearty thanks to the great Lord of the harvest.

But, while we thus acknowledge our indebtedness to the giver of all good, we should not forget the human instruments through which these favors have been received. Besides the punctual, diligent and self-denying labors, both on Sundays and in the week, by which the members of the Association have been characterized, we feel called upon specially to commend the zeal and success, with which the teachers of the infant schools have prosecuted their work. The flourishing state of their departments bears witness to their assiduity; and additional testimony to the same, has been rendered by all acquainted with the facts.

Nor should we neglect our annual acknowledgments to that valuable auxiliary of the school, the Dorcas Society. During the present season, there has been an unusual demand upon the time and labors of its members, and without their zealous co-operation, many of our pupils would have been unable, from their destitution, to attend the exercises of the school.

Judgment, however, has been mingled with mercy. While the field in which we are called to work continues as large and promising as ever, one of our most useful and beloved fellow-laborers has been suddenly called home by the Master of the vineyard. The late Mrs. Sarah A. Newbold, after a short and painful illness, was taken to her eternal rest, on the 11th November, 1849; on which holy day she had expected, when the previous sun went down, to occupy the post assigned her in our midst. Her loss was severely felt in almost every department of our Church. In commemoration of her Christian graces, a sermon was preached before the congregation from the words: "This woman was full of good works." The following extract will show the light in which her pastor regarded her work of faith and labor of love in this Association:

"As the teacher of our Second Female Bible Class, her memory will be long cherished and praised by those, whom she has made her temporal and eternal debtors.

Not only was she punctually present at the appointed time and place, to explain the portion of the word of God which had been previously assigned,—to lead in devotions, and to urge upon her scholars due attention to their everlasting interests; not only did she discharge these duties with the gentle and insinuating tones and eloquence, which zeal and love prompt,—but she was ready and glad, at any hour in the week, to receive the calls of these young women, who were under her care; to renew, upon such occasions, her spiritual counsel; and to conduct them in private to the throne of grace. Nor was she indifferent to their temporal advantage: but she gained a lodgment for herself and her message in their hearts, by the interest which she manifested in their worldly prosperity. Whenever any of these poor and friendless, of whom her class was generally composed, were without employment or a home, she made it a business to provide them with both."

But while we thus record the sense of our great loss, and pay this brief tribute to her worth, we would look forward to the assured prospect of joining her, with many who have been under our common care, in the presence of that Lord, who will prove a close, and blessed, and indissoluble bond between all of His redeemed. It is moreover, our privilege to state, that the class which were thus bereaved of the teacher to

whom they were so much indebted and attached, have been placed under the care of a lady, whose acceptable Scriptural instructions will, it is hoped, be the means of much good.

From the reports of the various departments, we gather the following summary of our numbers:

*Male Department.*

|                                  | Teachers. | Scholars. |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Intermediate School, - - -       | 27        | 200       |
| Bible Class, - - -               | 1         | 13        |
| Infant Class, - - -              | 1         | 77        |
| Boys in the Female Infant Class, |           | 32        |
| Total,                           | 29        | 322       |

*Female Department.*

|                            | Teachers. | Scholars. |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Intermediate School, - - - | 35        | 270       |
| Bible Classes, - - -       | 3         | 59        |
| First Infant Class, - - -  | 1         | 68        |
| Second Infant Class, - - - | 1         | 70        |
| Total,                     | 40        | 467       |

We have therefore in both departments, 69 Teachers, and 789 Scholars.

The following is a statement of our missionary collections:

|                                |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| From the Male Department - - - | \$165 00 |
| From the Female, - - -         | 257 00   |
| Amounting in all to            | \$422 00 |

There will thus remain, over and above our annual contribution to the support of Mr. and Mrs. Payne, and of our remaining beneficiary in their school, a sufficient sum to defray the expenses of "The Messenger Press," at the African Mission. This Press was purchased, about eight months since by the school, with the proceeds of a special collection for that purpose; and its annual support, it would seem, will hereafter devolve upon its original donors. It will no doubt be the means of putting small and suitable tracts into the hands of the pupils in the missionary schools, who will be able to read them to their parents and friends; and thus the knowledge of the gospel will become more widely diffused. The recent reports from our missionaries are favorable, and their prospects of usefulness more encouraging than ever before. The interest of our own school in the mission is evidently increasing; and its connexion with Africa is now becoming one of its prominent features.

At the last annual confirmation in the church, five of our pupils made a public profession of their faith and hope in Christ. In having any thus come forward to avow themselves on the Lord's side, we are more than repaid for all our labors. But, when we reflect how small this number is in comparison with those whose feelings remain unaffected, and who are exposed to the second death, it should lead us to great heart-searchings,

and to earnest and effectual prayer. The conversion of the young and immortal souls committed to our care is the great end for which we labor; and unless this be secured, all the instrumentality which is so flourishing and which is apt of itself to strike and satisfy the carnal eye, is worse than vain,—only acquainting, as it does, with their Master's will, those servants who do it not, and who shall in consequence, be beaten with many stripes. Let us, then, more humbly and faithfully implore grace for ourselves and the children whom we teach, that we may be rendered meet laborers in this blessed cause, and that they may have their hearts opened to believe the word of this salvation.

## TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

*Dorcas Society of the Church of the Epiphany.*

THE following is a brief summary of the Dorcas report for this year.

There have been 20 meetings; 54 names are enrolled as members of the Society. Average attendance 20. 949 garments have been distributed, and many more families have received assistance.

The Treasurer reports the receipt of \$90 00 subscriptions; \$210 25 donations. Whole amount, \$300 25. Expenditure, including \$24 00 paid for work, \$300 25. The following is a list of donations in materials—2 pieces of Kentucky jean, 2 pieces of Canton flannel, 1 piece and 10 yards of calico, 42 hoods, 19 garments, 6 pairs of mitts, 4 pairs of stockings, 2 coats, 3 pairs of pants, a bundle of clothing, 1 piece of colored muslin.

*March, 1850.*

## LADIES' SEWING SOCIETY.

MARIANNE WALKER, *Treasurer, in account with Sewing Society of the Church of the Epiphany, from March 20, 1849, to March 20, 1850.*

Dr.

|                               |   |   |   |          |
|-------------------------------|---|---|---|----------|
| To balance from last account, | . | . | . | 29       |
| Subscriptions,                | . | . | . | 13 00    |
| Sale, April 30th,             | . | . | . | 162 00   |
| Sale, December 19th,          | . | . | . | 227 20   |
|                               |   |   |   | <hr/>    |
|                               |   |   |   | \$402 49 |

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|                               |   |          |        |
|-------------------------------|---|----------|--------|
| By Cash paid African Mission, | . | \$175 00 |        |
| " " on acct. Church debt,     |   | 125 00   |        |
| Materials for Spring Sale,    | . | 37 00    |        |
| " for Christmas,              | . | 61 99    |        |
| Balance remaining,            | . | 3 50     | 402 49 |
|                               |   |          | <hr/>  |

## BENEVOLENT OPERATIONS.

The various collections of the past year have been, according to the following account of Z. LOCKE, Parish Treasurer :

*Receipts.*

|                                                                                                                   |           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Balance from last year, . . . .                                                                                   | \$16 80   |
| Ladies' Sewing Society, for Africa, . . .                                                                         | 250 00    |
| Sunday-schools, for Missions, . . . .                                                                             | 250 00    |
| Do. Education of S. H. Tyng, Africa, . . .                                                                        | 20 00     |
| Do. for Sunday-schools in the West, . . .                                                                         | 50 00     |
| Do. for Messinger Printing, Press for African Mission, . . . . .                                                  | 50 83     |
| Ladies' Society for the Jews, . . . .                                                                             | 100 00    |
| Thank Offering from the congregation in November, and appropriated to building Church at Cavalla, Africa, . . . . | 610 00    |
| From the Collecting Committee during the year, . . . . .                                                          | 1999 31   |
|                                                                                                                   | <hr/>     |
|                                                                                                                   | \$3346 94 |

*Paid by order of the Vestry.*

|                                                                    |         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| To Foreign Committee for support of one child in Africa, . . . . . | \$20 00 |
| Do. Salary of Mr. and Mrs. Payne in Africa, for 1849, . . . . .    | 750 00  |
| Do. for building church in Africa, . . .                           | 610 00  |

|                                                                     |           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Printing-press for Africa, . . . .                                  | 50 83     |
| To American Bible Society, . . . .                                  | 50 00     |
| To Education of Young Men for the Ministry, . . . .                 | 125 00    |
| To Annual payment for support of Episcopate, . . . .                | 150 00    |
| For Convention expenses, . . . .                                    | 50 00     |
| To Treasurer of Sunday-schools of Church of the Epiphany, . . . . . | 250 00    |
| To American Sunday-school Union, . . . .                            | 50 00     |
| To Seamen's Friend Society, . . . .                                 | 25 00     |
| To Bishop White Prayer-book Society, . . . .                        | 25 00     |
| To Zion Church, Kensington, . . . .                                 | 40 00     |
| To Church of the Evangelists, Southwark, . . . .                    | 100 00    |
| To Rev. T. G. Allen, City Missionary, . . . .                       | 50 00     |
| Do. Mr. Maxwell, Colporteur, Kens., . . . .                         | 25 00     |
| Do. Mr. Kirk, Downingtown, . . . .                                  | 50 00     |
| Do. Mr. Beatty, Tuscarora, . . . .                                  | 50 00     |
| Do. Mr. Clark, Williamsport, . . . .                                | 50 00     |
| Do. Mr. Quick, Chester, . . . .                                     | 50 00     |
| Do. Mr. Bacheller, . . . .                                          | 25 00     |
| London Jews' Society, . . . .                                       | 100 00    |
| Parish Missionaries, . . . .                                        | 650 00    |
| Balance in hands of Treasurer, . . . .                              | 1 11      |
|                                                                     | <hr/>     |
|                                                                     | \$3346 94 |

## CONCLUSION.

THE hope was expressed in our last report, that by the pledges which were given some two years since, our large pecuniary obligations, as a church, would be

materially diminished at the present date. It is now my happiness to state, that this hope has been fully realized ; and that about \$12,000 of our previous debt have been liquidated within the last four years. Moreover, the large sum for which the corporation is still bound, we have now the prospect, will be adequately provided for. Ere another annual report is issued, we feel every confidence, a plan will be in operation, which in the course of four or five years, will, with the ordinary blessing of God, entirely rid the congregation of those temporal embarrassments, under which it has been laboring from its very inception. For these favors, we would ascribe our humble and hearty thanks to Him, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift.

While, too, we have met with the loss, besides others, of two valuable and active communicants, one directly in our midst, and another during a temporary sojourn in a distant state, we have been more than commonly shielded, in our persons and lives throughout the past twelve months. It becomes us, therefore, to "sing and give thanks," with the Psalmist, "to the Lord who has kept us alive," during a year of more than ordinary mortality ; and through His grace, to grow in meetness for that inheritance, upon which our beloved friends have already entered.

Your affectionate pastor,

J. H. FOWLES.

SEVENTEENTH  
PASTORAL REPORT  
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THE following named gentlemen compose the Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, elected on Easter-Monday, April 21, 1851.

|                      |                          |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| LEWIS R. ASHHURST,   | } <i>Church Wardens.</i> |
| FREDERICK W. PORTER, |                          |
| CASPAR MORRIS,       |                          |
| GEORGE B. REESE,     |                          |
| ZEBULON LOCKE,       |                          |
| ALLIN ROBINETT,      |                          |
| WILLIAM E. BOWEN,    |                          |
| JOHN HOCKLEY,        |                          |
| JOSHUA COWPLAND,     |                          |
| EDWARD OLMSTED,      |                          |
| JOHN J. REESE,       |                          |
| PIERCE BUTLER.       |                          |

*Sexton.*

JACOB LEIDY.

# CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

EASTER, 1851.

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## MARRIAGES.

I officiated at *twenty* marriages during the year, and the Rev. Mr. WASHBURN at *one*, making *twenty-one* in all.

## BAPTISMS.

I baptized *six* adults, and *thirty-three* children, and the Rev. Mr. WASHBURN baptized *one* child, making a total of *forty*.

## CONFIRMATIONS.

On the 19th of May, 1850, the Rt. Rev., the Bishop of the Diocese, confirmed the following *twenty-two* persons :

Samuel E. Appleton,  
William Boulton,  
Martha C. Burns,  
Maria W. Butler,  
Martha H. Butler,  
Sarah Jane Connor,  
Virginia Duane,

Pauline E. Henderson,  
Mary A. H. Hindman,  
Mary Hockley,  
Courtland D. Howell,  
Rebecca Hutchinson,  
Eloise Matthews,  
Mary H. Morris,

|                      |                         |
|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Helen Newbold,       | Harriet Maria Stockton, |
| Emma J. Newell,      | James Stratton,         |
| Anne M. Patullo,     | Virginia Troutman.      |
| E. Augusta Robinett, | Emily Wells.            |

On the 7th of June, BISHOP POTTER likewise confirmed Eliza Tindall Bingham, who was then an invalid, and who has since departed this life.

Thus, *twenty-three* received the rite of confirmation during the year. These all subsequently communed; although two or three of them have either removed or died, and hence the names of such will not appear on our communicants' list.

### COMMUNICANTS.

As was intended a year since, the list of our communicants has been carefully revised; and the result is that *fifty-eight* additional names have been stricken from the list. A large portion of these I have never known. A few have been allowed to remain, who have removed to places where there is no church, and who therefore desire to retain their membership with us.

Where, too, the surname is a common one, and the Christian name attached is not known, it has been thought best to consider the person as still belonging to our communion. With these necessary exceptions, the list is as nearly correct as the circumstances of a large city church, and the number of temporary acces-

sions that are annually made will admit. If we subtract, then, the *fifty-eight* alluded to above, from the *four hundred and eighty-eight* reported last year, it will leave *four hundred and thirty*. To these have been added during the year *forty-eight*, as will be seen at the close of the list which follows, making our total present number *four hundred and seventy-eight*.

*First year, from August 1834, to Easter 1835.*

|                            |                            |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Lewis R. Ashhurst,         | Mrs. Harriet Locke,        |
| Mrs. Mary Ashhurst,        | Mrs. Jane Metcalf,         |
| Sarah E. Ashley,           | Mrs. Elizabeth Montgomery, |
| Charlotte M. Ashley,       | Caspar Morris, M. D.,      |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Bellingham, | Mrs. Ann C. Morris,        |
| Joshua Cowpland,           | Mrs. Sarah M. Oliver,      |
| Mrs. Louisa Duane,         | Mrs. Elizabeth Patchell,   |
| Mrs. Grace Gill,           | Frederick W. Porter,       |
| Mary Elizabeth Gill,       | Mrs. Sarah C. Porter,      |
| Mrs. Juliana Good,         | Mrs. Mary Stevenson,       |
| Mrs. Ann Hinds,            | Thomas S. Taylor,          |
| Eliza Holtzbecher,         | Mrs. Mary M. Taylor,       |
| Mrs. Ann Jones,            | Isabella C. Town,          |
| Mrs. Sophia Latimer,       | Marianne Walker.—29.       |
| Zebulon Locke,             |                            |

*Second year, from Easter 1835, to Easter 1836.*

|                       |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Mrs. Ann Cowpland,    | William Duane,        |
| Mrs. Matilda Dillard, | Mrs. Marinda A. Dorr, |

|                         |                         |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| John Hockley,           | Adam Seed,              |
| Mrs. Catharine Hockley, | Mrs. Eliza Seed,        |
| Mrs. Ann Johnston,      | William P. Smith,       |
| John M'Garvey,          | Mrs. Anna Maria Smith,  |
| Matthew T. Miller,      | Mrs. Abigail Wells.—14. |

*Third year, from Easter 1836, to Easter 1837.*

|                          |                        |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Mrs. Aletta Bispham,     | Mrs. Maria Newell,     |
| Mrs. Mary M. Brinton,    | Paul G. Oliver,        |
| Mrs. Harriet Coleman,    | Mrs. Anna E. Price,    |
| Mrs. Anna M. Dawson,     | Samuel Potts,          |
| Elizabeth M. Hazlehurst, | George B. Reese,       |
| Frances N. Hooper,       | Mrs. Margaret Reese,   |
| Mrs. Caroline Jones,     | Dr. John J. Reese,     |
| Mrs. Ann Kirkpatrick,    | Mrs. Elizabeth Spence, |
| Jacob Leidy,             | Mrs. Sarah Young,      |
| Mrs. Eliza Morton,       | Ann Young.—20.         |

*Fourth year, from Easter 1837, to Easter 1838.*

|                      |                           |
|----------------------|---------------------------|
| Ann Barr,            | Mrs. Hannah Hight,        |
| Anna B. Caldwell,    | Mrs. Eliza Y. M'Allister, |
| Margaret Crawford,   | Mary Ann M'Garvey,        |
| Robert Ellis,        | Margaret Montgomery,      |
| Mrs. Margaret Ellis, | Mary Morrison,            |
| Elizabeth Freel,     | Josephine L. Patullo,     |
| Sarah Goodfellow,    | Eliza Ann Randall,        |
| Susan Gwinn,         | Mrs. Ann Robbins,         |

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|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Mrs. Eleanor A. Simes,    | Mary White,          |
| Cornelia Elizabeth Smith, | Catharine White.—21. |
| Williamina Smith,         |                      |

*Fifth year, from Easter 1838, to Easter 1839.*

|                           |                            |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| John H. Black,            | Mrs. Gertrude O. Phillips, |
| Mrs. Janette Black,       | Mrs. Mary Prince,          |
| Mrs. Sophia A. Cotton,    | Sarah R. Prince,           |
| John Ellis,               | Allin Robinett,            |
| Mrs. Mary P. Fisher,      | Mrs. Matilda L. Robinett,  |
| Mrs. Hannah Grasby,       | Mrs. Sarah Smith,          |
| Elizabeth Grasby,         | Rebecca Smyth,             |
| Martha Ann Jackson,       | Mary C. Sprogell,          |
| Elizabeth M'Allister,     | Mrs. Ann Thomas,           |
| Mrs. Caroline Miller,     | Mary Wallace,              |
| Mrs. Sarah A. Montgomery, | Mrs. Rebecca Young.—23.    |
| Mrs. Margaret Patullo,    |                            |

*Sixth year, from Easter 1839, to Easter 1840.*

|                         |                         |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Eunice Anderson,        | Mrs. Ann L. Phillips,   |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Bowen,   | Sarah Jane Pierce,      |
| Mrs. Margaret Brown,    | Mrs. Rebecca J. Smith,  |
| Mrs. Susannah C. Brown, | John Tanguy,            |
| Ann C. Brown,           | William Thaw,           |
| Mrs. Cynthia Jackson,   | Harriet A. Thaw,        |
| James Kirkpatrick,      | Mrs. Catharine Thomson, |
| Mrs. Deidamia Morton,   | Mrs. Mary Ann Wheeler.  |

*Seventh year, from Easter 1840, to Easter 1841.*

|                          |                       |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| James T. Allen.          | Helen Hughes,         |
| Jane Black,              | Mary M'Keague,        |
| William E. Bowen,        | Mary Ann Myles,       |
| Mrs. Rachel Bryant,      | Mrs. Esther Neilson,  |
| Helen M. Colton,         | Mrs. Sally A. Reese,  |
| Jane Denmark,            | Mary Seed,            |
| E. Matilda L. Elwyn,     | Mrs. Mary S. Smith,   |
| William Furey,           | Milton Smith,         |
| Thomas Furey,            | Samuel L. Tanguy,     |
| Mrs. Anna M. H. Hoskins, | Mrs. Margaret Weldom. |
| Henrietta C. Long,       | —21.                  |

*Eighth year, from Easter 1841, to Easter 1842.*

|                             |                      |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| Algernon E. Ashburner,      | Margaret E. Donnell, |
| William H. Ashhurst,        | Jane Ellis,          |
| Mrs. Elizabeth K. Ashhurst, | Peter Field,         |
| Mrs. Margaretta Bird,       | Mrs. Margaret Field, |
| Mary A. Brown,              | Mrs. Jane Field,     |
| Mrs. Cornelia Clay,         | Dorothea Field,      |
| Mrs. Cornelia B. Colton,    | Theodosia Gill,      |
| Anna B. Colton,             | Isabella Hagerty,    |
| Eliza Crawford,             | Emily Hazlehurst,    |
| Mrs. Harriet C. Crothers,   | Mary Ann Hazlett,    |
| Mrs. Rowland N. Davis,      | Agnes Y. M'Allister, |
| William Deviney,            | Catharine M'Couch.   |

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|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Rebecca M'Couch,           | Mary Jane Riddle,       |
| Margaret M'Dougall,        | Mrs. Amelia W. Smith,   |
| Mary M'Garvey,             | Mrs. Martha Taylor,     |
| Sophia M'Ilhenny,          | Mary E. Thomas,         |
| James M'Nichol,            | Samuel Griffiths Wells, |
| Amelia Morris,             | Francis Wells,          |
| Mrs. Mary G. Murphy,       | William Whaley,         |
| Mrs. Katharine A. Olmsted, | Ellen Whaley,           |
| Mrs. Rachel Patchell,      | Sarah Whaley,           |
| James Patchell,            | Mary Jane Whaley,       |
| Julia G. Prince,           | Thomas Wheeler,         |
| Mrs. Catharine Richards,   | William Woodward.—48.   |

*Ninth year, from Easter 1842, to Easter 1843.*

|                          |                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Mary Armstrong,          | Joseph A. Clay,          |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Ashhurst, | Jane Davis,              |
| Margaret Black,          | Mrs. Mary Furey,         |
| Mrs. Martha Blackiston,  | William Gibson, M. D.,   |
| Sarah Blackiston,        | Mrs. Sarah N. Gibson,    |
| Mrs. Catharine H. Bowie, | Matilda Hamilton,        |
| Jeremiah Butler,         | David Hazel,             |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Butler,   | Mrs. Elizabeth R. Hazel, |
| Elizabeth Butler,        | Mrs. Ann Hunter,         |
| Catharine Butler,        | Ann Hutchinson,          |
| Elizabeth Christie,      | Eliza Kirkpatrick,       |
| Susan Christie,          | John Loughhead,          |

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Eliza Euenia M'Allister, | Anna Maria Peake,       |
| Jane M'Candless,         | Mrs. Lydia Phillips,    |
| Mrs. Mary A. M'Euen,     | Everina Sharp,          |
| Ann M'Keague,            | Mrs. Mary Stewart,      |
| Martha Mahaffey,         | Mrs. Ann Eliza Tunis,   |
| Jane Mahaffey,           | Elizabeth Wallen,       |
| Mrs. Ellen M. Mayberry,  | Mrs. Anna Wells,        |
| William H. Moogre,       | Asa Whitney,            |
| Mrs. Hannah Moore,       | Mrs. Clarinda Whitney,  |
| Edward Olmsted,          | Sarah Williams,         |
| Mrs. Annie Parker,       | Mrs. Mary Woodward.—46. |

*Tenth year, from Easter 1843, to Easter 1844.*

|                        |                         |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Mrs. Harriet D. Allen, | Mrs. Amelia Jennings,   |
| Agnes Boulton,         | Mrs. Caroline Jennings, |
| Rowland H. Brown,      | James S. Kirkpatrick,   |
| William J. Brown,      | Catharine M'Couch,      |
| Mary Ann Christie,     | Mary Jane M'Mullen,     |
| Mary Devor,            | Frances M'Nutt,         |
| James O. Donahue,      | Mary Montgomery,        |
| William Gibson,        | William L. Newbold,     |
| Eliza Gibson,          | Robert Nixon,           |
| Rev. Caleb J. Good,    | Mary Ann Patchell,      |
| George Harbeson,       | Margaret Patullo,       |
| Mrs. Mary Harbeson,    | Lydia Phillips,         |
| Rachel Hill,           | Mrs. Jane Read,         |
| Mary Ann Hutchinson,   | Mrs. Lavinia Reed,      |

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|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Harriet Richards,       | Mrs. Abby A. T. Van Pelt, |
| Sarah Robb,             | Elizabeth D. Van Pelt,    |
| Phæbe Ann Robbins,      | Robert Wade,              |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Simmons, | Elizabeth Westcott,       |
| Jane Smith,             | Elizabeth Whelen,         |
| Ann Jane Smith,         | Eliza Whitney,            |
| Louisa Martha Taylor,   | Eliza Wood,               |
| David Thompson,         | Charlotte Wood.—44.       |

*Eleventh year, from Easter 1844, to Easter 1845.*

|                        |                      |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| Elvira Brown,          | Mary Newell,         |
| Louisa C. Butler,      | Mrs. Mary P. Norris, |
| James Christie,        | Maria D. Prince,     |
| Robert Connor,         | Margaret Sharp,      |
| Mrs. Mary Ann Donaghy, | Letitia Whaley,      |
| William A. Newbold,    | Elizabeth Young.—12. |

*Twelfth year, from Easter 1845, to Easter 1846.*

|                          |                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Mrs. Maria E. Black,     | Williamina Hoopes,       |
| Vincent L. Bradford,     | Mary Kelly,              |
| Mrs. Juliet S. Bradford, | Mrs. Rebecca Kennedy,    |
| Josephine Carter,        | Thomas Kirkpatrick,      |
| Mary Divine,             | Mrs. Elizabeth Lockwood, |
| Rebecca Dougherty,       | Mrs. Jane Moore,         |
| Mrs. Matilda Fowles,     | Mrs. Catharine Nixon,    |
| Mrs. Ellen Goddard,      | Thomas Patchell,         |
| Margaret Harbeson,       | Rebecca Paxson,          |

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|------------------------|----------------------|
| Thomas B. Stovell,     | Mrs. Ann P. White,   |
| Mrs. Matilda Stovell,  | John R. Whitney,     |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Tanguy, | Sarah Jane Wood.—25. |
| Sarah M. Taylor,       |                      |

*Thirteenth year, from Easter 1846, to Easter 1847.*

|                           |                         |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Mrs. Mary E. B. Allibone, | Mrs. Jane M'Gowan,      |
| Israel M. Bissell,        | Margaret M'Mullen,      |
| Mrs. Augusta Bissell,     | Emma Moore,             |
| Henry L. Boulton,         | Thomas M. Mumford,      |
| George Buchanan,          | Mrs. Henrietta Mumford, |
| Mrs. Jane F. T. Byrd,     | Lydia L. Mumford,       |
| Mrs. Jane Clark Connor,   | Sarah E. Mumford,       |
| Martha N. Cowpland,       | Jane G. Mumford,        |
| Charles Foster,           | Mary M. Oliver,         |
| Mrs. Emily M. Foster,     | Mary Virginia Peaco,    |
| Sarah Furey,              | Nancy Stewart,          |
| Elizabeth E. Gilbert,     | Mrs. Charlotte Wade,    |
| Eliza M. Gray,            | Sarah N. West,          |
| Matilda Kenton,           | Mrs. Amanda Wiley,      |
| James A. Kirkpatrick,     | Mrs. Jane Woolson,      |
| Sarah Jane Kirkpatrick,   | Mrs. Lydia Young.—33.   |
| Ann M'Garvey,             |                         |

*Fourteenth year, from Easter 1847, to Easter 1848.*

|                      |                |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Caroline A. Batturs, | Emma Brown,    |
| Catharine A. Bonnar, | Louisa Bryant, |

|                           |                         |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Sarah Butler,             | William Maris, Jr.,     |
| Edward Clarkson,          | Catharine M'Elwee,      |
| Mrs. Matilda Crothers,    | Mrs. Jane M'Henry,      |
| William S. Crothers,      | Jane M'Minn,            |
| Mary Davis,               | Ann M'Nicholl,          |
| Mrs. Sarah Donohue,       | Mary Ann Porter,        |
| Mary Gatliff,             | George B. Reese, Jr.,   |
| Mrs. Elizabeth A. Groome, | Julia Rush,             |
| Mrs. Rebecca Gumbes,      | Mary Saville,           |
| M. A. Haswell,            | Ann Smyth,              |
| David Ireland,            | Elizabeth Smyth,        |
| John T. Jones,            | Charlotte M. Wetherill, |
| Mary Ann Kees,            | Rachel P. Wetherill,    |
| Ellen Kirkpatrick,        | James Whitney.—32.      |

*Fifteenth year, from Easter 1848, to Easter 1849.*

|                        |                          |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Helen E. Ashhurst,     | Mrs. Margaret E. Martin, |
| Mrs. Mary Brunt,       | Emma Newbold,            |
| Margaret Christie,     | James Peacock,           |
| Catharine Davis,       | Mrs. Louisa V. Peacock,  |
| Mrs. Lucretia Dunn,    | Mrs. Anna W. Reed,       |
| Mrs. Sarah M. L. Gill, | Jacob Reese,             |
| Harriet Hockley,       | George Herman Robinett,  |
| Edmund Hopper,         | Mrs. Sarah Sergeant,     |
| Mrs. Sarah B. Hopper,  | Harriet Shaw,            |
| Angelina B. Lockwood,  | Amelia Smith,            |
| Mary Maloy,            | Ann Smith,               |

Mrs. Maria Stockton, George Whitney.—25.  
Mary Stockton,

*Sixteenth year, from Easter 1849, to Easter 1850.*

|                         |                       |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Mrs. Joanna Bell,       | Lydia P. Leidy,       |
| Thomas Bell,            | Alicia M'Cauley,      |
| James Campbell,         | Mrs. Anne M'Clellan,  |
| Mrs. Rebecca Campbell,  | Isabella M'Intyre,    |
| Annie Campbell,         | Ann Morrison,         |
| Alice Campbell,         | Mary M. Murray,       |
| Anna Cowpland,          | Margaret Nugent,      |
| Sarah Easton,           | Mrs. Eleanor Rand,    |
| Mrs. Jane Hanna,        | Mrs. Mary Stockdale,  |
| Alexander Henderson,    | Mrs. Mary J. Whitney. |
| Mrs. Mary M. Henderson, | —21.                  |

*Seventeenth year, from Easter 1850, to Easter 1851.*

|                            |                       |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Benjamin Blanchard,        | Ann Drake,            |
| Mrs. Margaretta Blanchard, | Sarah Drake,          |
| Levi M. Bond,              | Virginia Duane,       |
| William Boulton,           | Charlotte Fairthorne, |
| Martha C. Burns,           | Mrs. Emma Fairthorne, |
| Maria W. Butler,           | Frederic Fairthorne,  |
| Martha H. Butler,          | Robert Fairthorne,    |
| Margaret Carey,            | William Fleming,      |
| Mrs. Annie Des Chapelles,  | James Hanna,          |
| Sarah Jane Connor,         | Augustus Heaton,      |

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|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Mary A. Hindman,         | Mrs. Catha. M. Pritchard, |
| Mary Hockley,            | Martha Reed,              |
| Courtland D. Howell,     | Charles E. H. Richardson, |
| Rebecca Hutchinson,      | Mrs. Emel. M. Richardson, |
| Mrs. Martha Kells,       | E. Augusta Robinett,      |
| Mrs. Julia E. P. Lawton, | Eliza T. Spence,          |
| Eloise Matthews,         | Mrs. Margaret Spence,     |
| Mrs. Eliza A. M'Crudden, | William Spence,           |
| Cheston Morris,          | Harriet Stockton,         |
| Mary H. Morris,          | James Stratton,           |
| Helen Newbold,           | Emily Wells,              |
| Emma Newell,             | Charles Wheeler,          |
| Rebecca Nugent,          | Elizabeth J. Wheeler,     |
| Mrs. Catharine Pierce,   | Ellen B. Wheeler.—48.     |

## BURIALS.

Of these there have been *eleven* of adults, and *five* of children.

## SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Sunday-school Association of the Church of the  
Epiphany.

JANUARY, 1851.

At this annual meeting of the Teachers' Association, it is expected that a summary of our labors for the past year, and of the progress and condition of the school committed to our charge, should be laid before us. There is an evident propriety in this arrangement. So large a body of children and youth, as that under our care, cannot be long successfully managed without system and vigilance. Nor is it sufficient, that the chief officers of the various departments should fully comprehend the objects which our organization has in view, and the rules to be observed, and the means to be used, in order to attain them; it is not enough, that the elder, and more experienced members of this association should be acquainted with the condition of the school, and consequently know what are the hopes to be entertained, and the evils to be feared, from the

course and tendency of things; but the youngest and humblest should be well versed in the leading statistics, and be able to sympathise with, and further every movement. Besides, then, our monthly meetings for consultation and prayer, and in addition to the more formal quarterly reports of the superintendents and teachers, it is well, that there should be a revision of each year at its close, that its experience may be of profit in the future. Moreover, the period of our annual meeting is exceedingly well timed; succeeding so closely as it does the anniversary of the school—when the scholars are collected, at the close of the exercises for the year, to worship God in a body, and to receive some token of affection and approbation through the pastor's hand.

Never, upon a similar occasion had we more reason to congratulate ourselves, and to feel thankful to the Father of all mercies, for tokens of outward prosperity, than upon this recent celebration. When we consider the numerous sister churches which have sprung up around and beyond us, each of which it is believed, has a large and flourishing Sunday-school, it is a matter for our wonder and gratitude, that the number of children under our instruction is yet undiminished. Who are we, that we should be so honored, as to be fellow-workers with God in the effort of saving souls; and that,

too, on so large a scale? Nor is it among the children of the pious, or the educated, or the rich, (who might be supposed to enjoy advantages at home,) that our labors are confined; but the offspring of many parents, who are indigent and ignorant, and in some cases even ungodly, are taught by us in the things which make for their everlasting peace, and with which they would probably have remained without us, forever unacquainted. Gathered by the teachers of their respective classes, and decently clad by the self-denying and charitable labors of the ladies of our Dorcas Society, these children formed no inconsiderable portion of our school at its recent anniversary; and it was a grateful sight, thus to witness in God's house, the mingling of the rich and the poor. May our school always be characterized by this feature! and may the blessing of a common Creator and Redeemer rest, not only on those who are thus receiving good, but also on those who attempt to confer it!

Not a single death occurred among the members of our association during the past year; but all are spared to begin anew our work of faith and labor of love. Let us show our gratitude for this Providence, by improving the measure of strength and health which is vouchsafed: for its longer continuance is uncertain; and the whole period of life is felt to be short, by those who

have reached its close, and by all who are aware of the amount of evil that should be remedied, and of the good that should be done.

While, however, every life has been spared, yet we are called upon to regret the failure in health, and consequent withdrawal of two of our most prominent and useful colleagues. The late teacher of the First Female Bible Class, has had to retire from her office, to which she has so zealously and profitably devoted herself for so many years; and in which her labors will no doubt be remembered with gratitude, by a large portion of the numerous pupils who have been under her charge throughout their course, in both worlds. Her place, however, has been supplied by a lady, who, notwithstanding other cares and duties, which might well be regarded as sufficient to occupy her entire time, has yet consented to undertake, at the solicitation of the Rector, this arduous work. May she be abundantly blessed in her deed!

The teacher, too, of the Second Female Infant Class, whose labors in her humble and self-denying sphere were invaluable, has been forced by ill-health to resign her place. It was found impracticable to fill this important post by one of our elder teachers, and it was at length occupied by a pupil of the Bible class, who will no doubt devote her best efforts to acquire that experience which can alone insure success.

As regards the number of teachers and pupils in the school, we present, from the reports of the various departments, the following statement :

*Male Department.*

|                                  |       | Teachers. | Scholars. |
|----------------------------------|-------|-----------|-----------|
| Intermediate School,             | - -   | 27        | 215       |
| Bible Classes,                   | - - - | 2         | 27        |
| Infant Class,                    | - - - | 1         | 80        |
| Boys in the Female Infant Class, |       |           | 30        |
| Total,                           |       | 30        | 352       |

*Female Department.*

|                      |       | Teachers. | Scholars. |
|----------------------|-------|-----------|-----------|
| Intermediate School, | - -   | 34        | 265       |
| Bible Classes,       | - - - | 2         | 42        |
| First Infant Class,  | - - - | 1         | 60        |
| Second Infant Class, | - - - | 1         | 65        |
| Total,               |       | 38        | 432       |

There are therefore in the two departments, 68 Teachers, and 784 Scholars.

Our missionary collections have been as follows :

|                           |       |          |
|---------------------------|-------|----------|
| From the Male Department, | - -   | \$145 00 |
| From the Female,          | - - - | 278 17   |
| Total,                    |       | \$423 17 |

This sum will suffice to meet our engagements in Africa, and leave a small surplus to be appropriated to some other benevolent object.

The "Messenger Press," which we have been the means of procuring and supporting, has proved to be an instrument of much good. Highly creditable specimens of the Catechisms and Tracts issued from it, have reached this country; and it is easy to understand what helps it thus furnishes not only to the teachers in the native schools, but also to the ministers of Jesus, as they visit from house to house among the heathen parents, whose children will be able to read to them "the words of this life." Our missionary, too, has received the highest token of the confidence of the general convention of our church, having been elected to the office of Bishop of Western Africa. The Foreign Missionary Committee have urged his acceptance, and also his speedy visit to this country for the purpose of consecration. He may probably be expected in the course of the ensuing spring. This visit should be looked forward to by our school with much interest; as in it an opportunity will be afforded of becoming personally acquainted with one, whom we so highly esteem, and with whom we are so intimately connected, and of learning from him the details of his labors, and successes, and plans. It should, moreover, be our con-

stant prayer, that the same grace which has enabled him to discharge so faithfully and perseveringly the work of a missionary presbyter, will qualify him to fill the offices of a missionary Bishop to the good of souls, and to the glory of God. We have certainly, reason to be thankful, that our contributions have been so beneficially and wisely appropriated.

At the late confirmation, seventeen of our pupils publicly professed their faith in Christ, and their hope of having been brought into saving relationship towards God. May the work which, we trust, has been begun in them, be carried on unto perfection! This addition to our church communion, from the pupils under our charge, is larger than has been made at any one time, during the last six years. It is, of course, the leading object of our association and school, not to induce our scholars to make this profession, but to prepare them for it, by securing the inward operations of God's Holy Spirit. The portion of success with which we have been favored during the past year, should encourage us to renewed zeal. May earnest desires for still greater success possess our souls! May unceasing prayer for this object be offered up! May the saving truth which we teach be accompanied by much unction! and may our future labors not be in vain in the Lord!

## TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT.

OF THE

*Dorcas Society of the Church of the Epiphany.*

THE number of attending members has been small, but exceedingly regular, and the aid rendered by those who sewed at home very valuable. The number of names enrolled 54.

690 garments have been distributed, and 153 families assisted.

The Treasurer's receipts have been by subscription, \$91; donations, \$197; whole amount, \$288; expended, \$282; balance, \$6; \$27 62 have been paid for work. Donations in goods have been 4 pieces Canton flannel; 1 piece sattinett; 33 hoods; 2 lots of clothing—\$12 less have been received this season than last.

*March, 1851.*

## LADIES' SEWING SOCIETY.

MARIANNE WALKER, *Treasurer, in account with*  
*Sewing Society of the Church of the Epiphany,*  
*From March 20, 1850, to March 20, 1851.*

## Dr.

|                                        |          |
|----------------------------------------|----------|
| To balance from last account, . . . .  | 3 50     |
| Subscriptions, . . . . .               | 14 50    |
| Donation through Mr. Cowpland, . . . . | 10 00    |
| Sales, . . . . .                       | 465 20   |
|                                        | <hr/>    |
|                                        | \$493 20 |

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|                                     |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| By Cash paid African Mission, . . . | \$250 00 |
| “ “ on acct. Church debt, . . .     | 100 00   |
| Materials, . . . . .                | 114 35   |
| Balance remaining, . . . . .        | 28 85    |
|                                     | <hr/>    |
|                                     | 493 20   |

## BENEVOLENT OPERATIONS.

The various collections of the past year have been,  
 according to the following account of Z. LOCKE, Parish  
 Treasurer:

*Receipts.*

|                                           |            |
|-------------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance from last year, . . . . .         | \$1 11     |
| Ladies' Sewing Society, for Africa, . . . | 250 00     |
| Sunday-schools, for Missions, . . . . .   | 250 00     |
| Do. Education of S. H. Tyng, Africa, . .  | 20 00      |
| Do. For Sunday-schools in the West, . .   | 21 50      |
| Do. for China, . . . . .                  | 41 50      |
| Ladies' Society for the Jews, . . . . .   | 100 00     |
| From the Collecting Committee during the  |            |
| year, . . . . .                           | 2,351 76   |
| Balance due the Treasurer, . . . . .      | 192 38     |
|                                           | <hr/>      |
|                                           | \$3,228 25 |

*Paid by order of the Vestry.*

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|-----------------------------------------|---------|
| To Foreign Committee for support of one |         |
| child in Africa, . . . . .              | \$20 00 |
| Do. Salary of Mr. and Mrs. Payne in     |         |
| Africa, for 1851, . . . . .             | 750 00  |
| Do. for Female School building in       |         |
| China, . . . . .                        | 250 00  |

|                                                                     |        |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Do. for Chancel Carpet, and Font for Church at Shanghai, . . . .    | 100 00 |
| To Bibles and Prayer Books, do. . . .                               | 9 75   |
| To American Bible Society, . . . .                                  | 50 00  |
| To Education of Young Men for the Ministry, . . . .                 | 75 00  |
| To Annual payment for support of Episcopate, . . . . .              | 150 00 |
| For Convention expenses, . . . . .                                  | 50 00  |
| To Treasurer of Sunday-schools of Church of the Epiphany, . . . . . | 250 00 |
| To American Sunday-school Union, . . . .                            | 221 50 |
| To Seamen's Friend Society, . . . .                                 | 25 00  |
| To Bishop White Prayer-book Society, . . . .                        | 25 00  |
| To Zion Church, Kensington, . . . .                                 | 25 00  |
| To Church of the Evangelists, Southwark, . . . .                    | 100 00 |
| To Church of the Nativity, Spring Garden, . . . .                   | 90 00  |
| To Ch. of the Crucifixion, Moyamensing, . . . .                     | 50 00  |
| To Emanuel Church, Kensington, . . . .                              | 50 00  |
| To Church in Milton, Pa., . . . .                                   | 20 00  |
| To Rev. T. G. Allen, City Missionary, . . . .                       | 50 00  |
| Do. Mr. Kirk, Downingtown, . . . .                                  | 50 00  |
| Do. Mr. Beatty, Tuscarora, . . . .                                  | 50 00  |
| Do. Mr. Wiltberger, Bucks Co., . . . .                              | 25 00  |
| Do. Mr. Hard, Delaware Co., . . . .                                 | 50 00  |
| Do. Mr. Quick, St. Paul's Ch., Chester, . . . .                     | 75 00  |
| Do. Mr. Bacheller, Delaware, . . . .                                | 50 00  |

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| To London Jews' Society, . . . .                                | 100 00     |
| To Rev. L. Pilatte, for Evangelical Society of Paris, . . . . . | 117 00     |
| To Parish Missionaries, . . . .                                 | 350 00     |
|                                                                 | <hr/>      |
|                                                                 | \$3,228 25 |

## SUMMARY.

It will be seen by the foregoing account of the Parish Treasurer, that while the appropriations for religious and charitable purposes have not exceeded those of former years, the receipts have fallen considerably short. This, perhaps, can easily be accounted for by the effort which we have been making to liquidate the debt of the church. But as a slightly more general and liberal contribution to the fund will enable us still to maintain our previous standard, it is hoped, that during the year upon which we have entered, the applications of the committee, who have this matter in charge, will be generously met. The needy cause of the Lord should find no stinted treasury in that abundance with which He crowns us.

At the beginning of the present year, a sermon was preached on the duty and expediency of paying the church debt. A meeting of the congregation was subsequently held, the result of which was, that about

\$21,000, payable in ten semi-annual instalments, were promptly pledged. An impulse was given to this noble effort by the generous proffer, by a single individual, of nearly one fourth of this sum. Two of these instalments have already been received, (amounting to about \$5,000,) and a third is now nearly due. The plan adopted is, therefore, in successful operation; and for the prospect before us of getting rid of our incumbrances in a few years, the Lord be thanked! May the corporation ever show its thankfulness by avoiding what is surely the affliction, if it may not also be added the sin, of indebtedness!

In spiritual things, we have still to mourn over the little apparent success which attends the preached word, in adding to the church such as shall be saved. It is hoped, however, that most of those who have received the truth in the love of it, are careful to avoid conformity to the world, and to adorn the gospel which they profess. May all who have the form of godliness in our midst, be brought to feel and exhibit its power; and may the Author of faith cause all who hear His word with us to believe it to their soul's everlasting profit!

Your affectionate Pastor,

J. H. FOWLES.

NINETEENTH  
PASTORAL REPORT  
OF THE  
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY;  
Philadelphia.

PRESENTED TO THE CONGREGATION AT

Easter, March 27, 1853,

BY

THE RECTOR.

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NOTICE.

THIS is the nineteenth of an annual series to be printed alike and presented to the congregation at Easter in every year. If they are preserved, each member of the congregation will have a complete history of the Church from its commencement.

THE following named gentlemen compose the Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, elected on Easter-Monday, March 28, 1853.

LEWIS R. ASHHURST,	} <i>Church Wardens.</i>
FREDERICK W. PORTER,	
CASPAR MORRIS,	
GEORGE B. REESE,	
ZEBULON LOCKE,	
ALLIN ROBINETT,	
WILLIAM E. BOWEN,	
JOHN HOCKLEY,	
JOSHUA COWPLAND,	
EDWARD OLMSTED,	
JOHN J. REESE,	
PIERCE BUTLER.	

Sexton.

JACOB LEIDY.

Assistant Sexton.

GEORGE BUCHANAN.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

EASTER, 1853.

MARRIAGES.

I officiated at *seventeen* marriages during the year, and the Rev. Mr. WASHBURN at *five*, making a total of *twenty-two*.

BAPTISMS.

I baptized seven adults, and *thirty-one* children, the Rev. Mr. WASHBURN baptized *two* children, and the Rev. Mr. TEMPLE *one*, making a total of *forty-one*.

CONFIRMATIONS.

On the 23d of May, 1852, the following *fifteen* persons were confirmed by Bishop Potter :

Edmonia P. Anderson,	Mrs. Emeline M. Sims,
Louisa S. Birch,	Margaret Ann Spence,
Mrs. Elizabeth Buchanan,	Mrs. Elizabeth Steinmitz,
Jane Campbell,	William Wells,
Mrs. Mary Clay,	Mrs. Mary Ann Wood,
Mrs. Sarah Kirkpatrick,	Ann Jane Young,
Ellen M'Cleary,	William S. Young,
Jane M'Gowen.	

COMMUNICANTS.

Of these there were reported last year, *four hundred and ninety-five*. By deaths and removals, we have lost during the year just closed, *twenty-nine*; and in the same period, there have been added *forty-five*, making the present total number, *five hundred and eleven*.

The following is a list of the names of those who have joined our Communion during the past twelve months.

Edmonia P. Anderson,	Mrs. Elizabeth M'Murtrie,
Lloyd Bankson,	Mrs. Catharine M. North,
Mrs. Salome W. Bankson,	Geo. W. North,
Mrs. Mary A. Berrien,	Mrs. Martha Notman,
John Biddle,	Mrs. Caroline F. Okie,
Mrs. Mary F. Biddle,	Mary G. Okie,
Louisa S. Birch,	John B. Okie,
Mrs. Elizabeth Buchanan,	Mary Ann Porter,
Jane Campbell,	Mrs. Anne M. Powers,
Mrs. Mary Clay,	Thomas H. Powers,
Mrs. Mary Diver,	Wm. Lex Rehn,
Mrs. Caroline C. J. Dyer,	Mrs. Jane C. Ritchie,
Helen M. Dyer,	Mrs. Isabella Ryan,
Nancy Wharton Fisher,	Mrs. Emeline M. Sims,
Margaret Fleming,	Margaret Ann Spence,
Ann Gillespie,	Mrs. Elizabeth Steinmitz,

Mrs. Amelia Hartshorne,	Lucy Thomas,
Dr. Edward Hartshorne,	William Wells,
Maria Hutton,	Joseph Whetham,
Alexander Kirkpatrick,	Mrs. Mary Ann Wood,
Mrs. Emma Lynah,	Ann Jane Young,
Ellen M'Cleary,	William S. Young.
Jane M'Gowen,	

BURIALS.

Of these there have been *eighteen* of adults and *nine* of children, making *twenty-seven* in all.

It is perhaps remarkable, that the report under this head, exactly corresponds with that which was rendered last year.

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Sunday-school Association of the Church of the
Epiphany.

JANUARY, 1853.

IN reviewing the past twelve months, there is abundant cause for us to renew our common annual thanksgiving to God. We have enjoyed one continuous flow of blessings from Providence.

Not a death has occurred in our ranks. A few of our colleagues have retired, prevented by sickness, or other causes, from discharging their arduous and valuable duties. Of some of these the hope is entertained, that they will ere long be able, as they are known to be willing, to resume their labors. In the meanwhile, their vacant places have been filled; and our present corps of teachers prove their readiness, in every feasible and wise way, to promote with heart and hand the great and blessed object for which we have been organized.

Nor should we forget our indebtedness to the Giver of all grace for the peace which has reigned within our

circle; for that unselfish and due subordination to authority with which our several parts have been carried out, and for that respect to each other's rights and feelings with which all have been actuated. It is not by our righteousness that this blessing has been preserved; but through the sovereign mercy and gift of God.

Thus, with continued health and strength, and with united hearts, we are prepared to enter on another year, and to improve the opportunity which our position offers, of advancing the cause of our Master.

How inviting, too, is the field in which we have been appointed to labor! Who of us could look upon its beauty and promise, as it was presented to the eye, in all its length and breadth, at the celebration of our recent Anniversary, without blessing God for the part, however humble, which he was allowed to take in cultivating it? It was the remark of an intelligent spectator: "How lovely! and in what harmony the whole was moved! It seemed as if nothing could have been improved. What a contrast exists between Christianity and every system of false religion! When did Mohammedism, or Paganism, ever present such a spectacle? Until they do, their claims are not worthy of consideration." Be it remembered, too, that these services were no idle pageant. They are intended to show the object for which the school was begun, and is maintained; an object which, while it has important

bearings on the things of time, is to be measured only by the worth of the soul, the duration of eternity, and the glory of God. Should not, therefore, our hearts be filled with gratitude to God for his continued favor to our interesting work? And should not the inquiries be general, How can we best improve the opportunities thus afforded of doing our Master's will? And can any means be devised of enlarging, and making more effective, this instrumentality for good?

While we thus render, however, our tribute of praise to the source of every blessing, let us not forget the human instruments by which he has enabled us to bring this institution to its present position. We would acknowledge our indebtedness to those, who have supplied us with the means of meeting the incidental expenses; and especially to the ladies of the Dorcas Society, who, chiefly by their own labor, furnish the clothing which is needed by many of the poorer scholars in order to fit them to enjoy the advantages which the school affords.

While the different departments all share in the general prosperity, there are but few of them which require especial notice.

In numbers, and appearance, and conduct both the intermediate schools compare well with the past. For their continued success, they are of course mainly indebted, under God, to the experience and devotedness of their respective superintendents and teachers.

Some alterations have been made in the apartments which accommodate the Infant Schools. Both the former rooms have been thrown into one. The chief object of this change was to provide for the Week Day Parish School, which has been organized during the past year, and which, we trust, will be an important auxiliary for good to ourselves. This arrangement forms quite a large and commodious room, occupying the entire basement of the building in the rear of the Church. It is well ventilated and pleasant, and is now devoted on Sundays, to the Female Infant School, which continues to flourish under its indefatigable teacher.

The Male Infant Class now occupies the Old Vestry-room, which during the week accommodates the Infant branch of the Parish School. It has been rendered as pleasant and commodious as circumstances allow, but it scarcely affords sufficient room for the growing numbers of scholars, who under the charge of their present attentive teacher, are quite punctual and conduct themselves in a very orderly and appropriate manner.

The two Male Bible Classes, though small in numbers, continue to give satisfaction to their teachers. One of these now meets in the Vestry-room, and the other in the room above it.

The teacher of the First Female Bible Class continues punctually in a quiet, but no less laborious way to

discharge her important duties. The lessons are prepared with great study and care; a constant and judicious supervision of those under her charge is maintained; an interest in their spiritual welfare is felt; and it is hoped, that the members of this class appreciate and improve the opportunities which they enjoy of becoming acquainted with the Word of God.

The Second Female Bible Class has very much increased in numbers. The interest which its members feel in their teacher and her instructions, is shown by their punctual attendance, not only at the meetings of the class, but also at the services of the Church. Of all the departments in our school this would seem to partake most of a Missionary character. The pupils have generally less education, and are most of them of foreign extraction. But little attention was paid for the greater part to, their spiritual instruction in their native land. When arrived at years of discretion nearly all of them, as a matter of course, were confirmed and received to the communion, and they now need as much light as if they had never been partakers of that sacred ordinance. Although the register of the Church on earth, therefore, may not be much filled up by the labors of the present beloved teacher of this class, it is trusted, that through her instrumentality the names of many of her pupils will be found to have been written in the Lamb's Book of Life. It will be

necessary if the class continues to increase, to divide it. Responsible will be the privilege enjoyed by the teacher, under whose care any portion of it may be placed.

The following summary of the number of teachers and scholars, has been gathered from the reports of the different departments :

Male Department.

	Teachers.	Scholars.
Intermediate School, - - -	26	196
Bible Class, - - - -	2	21
Infant Class, - - - -	1	75
Boys in the Female Infant Class, -	0	14
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Total,	29	306

Female Department.

	Teachers.	Scholars.
Intermediate School, - - -	35	282
Bible Class, - - - -	2	72
Infant Class, - - - -	1	76
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Total,	38	430

It will thus be seen that there are, in both departments, 67 Teachers and 736 Scholars.

The missionary collections during the year have been as follows:

From the Male Department, - -	\$166 00
From the Female " - -	259 60
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Total,	425 60

The above affords a cursory view of the temporal condition of our schools.

Would that, in spiritual things, they could be reported as equally prosperous. But the superintendent of the Male School very correctly sums up the last quarterly reports of the various teachers in his department, thus: "None of these speak of any evidence of a work of grace in the hearts of the scholars. Some of the reports, however, are otherwise very satisfactory, containing full and interesting details as to the conduct and character of every boy in the class." To the same purport the superintendent of the Female School remarked: "The attention and good order of many of the classes is very gratifying, and the accuracy with which many of the scholars commit to memory and repeat the words of Scripture is also a most pleasing fact. Of spiritual interest among the children, however, very little appears to exist."

When such statements are authorized, should we not almost begin to fear, that in external success God is granting "our request, but sending leanness into our

soul?" Should we not be consequently prompted to "great searchings of heart?" It is true, that we are not without some tokens of the divine favor in this most important respect.

At our last confirmation, eight of the fifteen, who then renewed their baptismal vows, were pupils in our school. Others at that time desired to make a like profession of their faith, but it was deemed expedient to test the reality of their conversion by keeping them on probation. Since then, we have not been altogether deprived of the evidences of the presence and working of God's spirit in our midst. Still how rare are the instances of a hopeful change of heart among our scholars, compared with the number of those who remain apparently careless and unprofited! Especially in the Male Department, with how few cases of real and abiding spiritual interest are we encouraged! When we consider the constant need of spiritual male influence in the church of God, and particularly at the present time, the great dearth of ministers, whose ranks our school might contribute so largely to fill, the fact to which our attention is thus called is appalling, and should lead us to renewed faithfulness and prayer.

While we would render praise, therefore, to God for such a measure of his spiritual favor as we have enjoyed, there is abundant cause for us to humble ourselves in His sight, and to supplicate the increased outpouring of

His grace. Though we may be denied, however, immediate manifestations of success in the great object of our association, we should not be altogether discouraged. Many a parent's heart is gladdened, or at least relieved, near the dying bed of his beloved child, because at that late hour he gives some signs of interest in that Saviour, in the way of finding whom he had been faithfully, although it may have seemed vainly, instructed in our school. How frequent too are the cases, in which, during maturer years, the seed which we planted in childhood takes root and bears abundant fruit! Nor can the spiritual influence of our school be measured by what comes within our cognizance. The instance of the successful use which one of the teachers made of our library books without the bounds of our school, was brought to our notice in an appendix to her late report, but it is here subjoined for the sake of reference, and as an encouraging fact.

"An incident of good resulting from the use of our library, though entirely unconnected with our Sunday-school, may not perhaps be considered inappropriate here.

"Some years ago, I offered a poor Roman Catholic woman one of our library books for her little girl, telling her to read it herself, and then if she saw anything objectionable in it she could withhold it from her child. But both mother and daughter were so well pleased

with the book, that they gladly received another the next week. Regularly every week the book was returned and another received. This continued for several years, the girl meanwhile attending the Romish Church, and receiving instructions on their Catechism from the Sisters of Charity.

"She was by no means a bright or interesting child, and the whole family were at this time in the deepest poverty. When she was about twelve years of age her mother got a situation, which removed her from my neighborhood.

"I did not now see them so often, but every Sunday I took home a book, and generally either the mother or daughter would stop in and get it before the next Sunday. About this time the girl's mind seemed to expand, and as her mother would tell me of her improvement in school, she would often say, 'It is all owing to your Sunday-school books, she never would have cared for learning but for them.'

"At fourteen she read 'Jane Hudson.' This book made a deep impression on her mind, and she determined like Jane, to fit herself for a teacher. Circumstances soon occurred to bring her plans into practice. Her mother was incapacitated for employment by a protracted attack of inflammation of the eyes, threatening the loss of sight. The girl now, not quite fifteen, opened a school, and although her scholars only paid 12½ cents

a week, she was enabled to maintain herself and her mother. She has since obtained a situation as teacher in one of the public schools.

"Were this intellectual improvement the only result of her reading, there would still be occasion to regret her continued deadness to spiritual things.

"But about a month ago, I had the satisfaction to hear that she had united herself to an evangelical Church, led as she told her pastor, to see her former errors and seek the Saviour, by the books she had been in the habit of receiving from the Sunday-school of the Church of the Epiphany.

"I have not seen her since she has taken this important step, but I have heard from another source that her pastor is well pleased with her. The priests have annoyed her so much, by their efforts to bring her back to their church, that she has refused to have any further interviews with them; she has told them, if they wish any further communication, it must be in writing."

While in addition to the proofs of God's favor which occur within our own circle, a fact of this kind comes to our knowledge, is there not sufficient cause for us to conclude, that the spiritual benefits which our school confers are not limited to its own members, and that its influence will scarcely ever be duly estimated?

In humble dependence, therefore, upon God, let us patiently and faithfully persevere, keeping constantly

in full operation the various means and channels of usefulness which are furnished us in this association, and assured that, at the proper and appointed season we shall reap, if we faint not, but always labor and pray.

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

PARISH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

THE Parish School Association of the Church of the Epiphany, was organized in May, 1852. On the 4th of that month, a meeting of ladies, members of the church, was held in accordance with notice given by the Rector on the previous Sunday, and the object having been stated by him, it was resolved to establish a Parish week-day school, for the benefit chiefly of the Sunday-schools.

The vestry having previously granted the use of the two Infant School rooms in the basement of the church, for the purposes of the school, committees were appointed to collect donations to defray the expense of altering and fitting up the rooms, and annual subscriptions to assist in the support of the school. A committee was also appointed to prepare a constitution for the association, and rules for the school.

At the next meeting, the constitution and rules were

reported and adopted, and managers chosen for the ensuing year, and it was decided to open the school, if possible, early in September. The committees appointed to collect, reported nearly four hundred dollars as received in donations and subscriptions.

In the course of the summer, the school room was prepared, and furniture purchased of the most approved pattern for seats and desks, sufficient to accommodate sixty pupils; and although nearly new, it was obtained at quite a reduced price from the original cost. The whole amount paid for altering and fitting up the rooms was \$174 92; and for furniture, together with a considerable stock of books, slates, &c., \$164 07, making a total of \$338 99, an outlay to be made only during the first year of our operations.

On the 13th of September, the school was opened with thirty scholars, under the care of Miss Mary Seed, who had been engaged as teacher, at a salary of two hundred and fifty dollars per annum.

The school continued to prosper and increase, until on the 1st of November it numbered fifty-six scholars, and of these thirty-eight were from the Sunday-school. It was then apparent that so large a number, and so different in age, capacity and attainments, could not continue to be instructed together, and by a single teacher. It was, therefore, decided by the managers, that the school should be divided, and an infant de-

partment opened, as soon as a suitable teacher could be procured.

The use of the room occupied on Sunday by the boys' Infant School, was granted by the Vestry for this purpose; and as soon as possible a teacher engaged. This department was opened on the 2d of December, with Miss J. E. McCutcheon as teacher, at a salary of one hundred and seventy-five dollars per annum, and twenty-two young children were transferred to it from the larger school.

Since that period, the schools have continued to rise in the estimation of the managers, and they cannot but bear testimony to the faithfulness and efficiency of the teachers, and their earnest endeavors to promote the improvement of the children. These are now seventy-five in number, in the larger school forty-two, and thirty-three in the Infant School. Of the latter, ten are boys.

The larger children are instructed in reading, writing and arithmetic; and the highest class receive lessons in Geography, English Grammar and History; but particular attention is given in both schools to a thorough training of all the girls in the knowledge of sewing. This is deemed by the managers to be of special importance, and they trust that the progress of the children in all these branches will be found satisfactory to the friends and supporters of the undertaking. The schools

are always opened with religious exercises, and religion is blended, so far as possible, with all their studies and employments. They read the Psalter daily with their teacher, and some other portion of Scripture, and they are required to commit to memory the Catechism, with the texts for every Sunday. The schools have been visited frequently by the Rector, and the assistant minister, who have addressed the children, and the managers believe that their attachment to the church and the school, and their general improvement are advanced by these opportunities of pastoral instruction.

The managers are divided into committees, each consisting of two members, whose duty it is to visit the schools, at least four days of each week in rotation; to encourage and assist the teachers in their duties; and regularly to report their opinion of the order and condition of the school.

In conclusion, the managers beg leave to state, that their conviction of the importance of the effort made to sustain a Parochial school under the care of our church, has continually strengthened with the experience of the past few months; and they earnestly desire that the blessing of God may attend and prosper the enterprise, and that it may enjoy the approbation of all who are interested in its support and continuance.

April 1st, 1853.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER
OF THE
PARISH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

Dr.

Annual subscriptions,	-	-	\$124 00
Donations,	-	-	259 50
Twenty-one scholarships,	-	-	105 00
Tuition money from the children,	-	-	106 51
Balance due Treasurer,	-	-	8 16
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			\$603 17
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Cr.

Altering and fitting up rooms,	-	-	\$174 92
Desks, benches, books, rooms, slates, &c.,	-	-	164 07
Salaries of teachers,	-	-	204 18
Sexton for services,	-	-	45 00
Cleaning school rooms,	-	-	15 00
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			\$603 17
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CONSTITUTION
OF THE
PARISH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

OF THE
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

ARTICLE I.

The object of this association shall be to establish and conduct a day school, or schools for girls and small boys, in which religious and secular instruction shall be combined.

ARTICLE II.

Every person, a member of the Church of the Epiphany, and contributing not less than one dollar annually to the funds of the association shall be considered a member. Every contributor of not less than five dollars annually, shall be entitled to send a scholar to the school free of charge, and in proportion for larger sums.

ARTICLE III.

The Rector of the Church shall be ex-officio President of the Association.

ARTICLE IV.

The contributors shall elect at their Annual Meeting on the first Monday in April, eighteen ladies to be managers, who shall elect one of their own number to be Secretary and Treasurer for the ensuing year, and until others be chosen. Vacancies occurring during the year shall be filled by the managers.

ARTICLE V.

The Board of Managers shall meet on the first Monday of each alternate month. Any three managers may, with the permission of the Rector call special meetings, and five managers present shall form a quorum.

ARTICLE VI.

The stated meetings shall be opened with a form of prayer, provided by the Rector, or selections from the Book of Common Prayer.

ARTICLE VII.

All resolutions shall be offered in writing, and all resignations presented in writing.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Board of Managers shall at their stated meetings be divided into committees of two members each, who shall attend in rotation on Monday morning at nine o'clock, and on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoon of each week, receive the tuition money, pay it to the Treasurer, and give such aid and counsel as the teacher may need. They shall report in writing to the receiving committee, the state of the school during their respective weeks of attendance. The receiving committee shall report in writing the condition of the schools to the Board of Managers at each stated meeting.

ARTICLE IX.

The Board of Managers shall elect at the first stated meeting after the Annual Meeting in April, a purchasing committee, consisting of two members, to make all purchases for the school for one year. This committee shall also form a receiving committee, to which all applicants for admission into the school must apply.

ARTICLE X.

All moneys shall be paid by order of the purchasing committee, and all bills countersigned by said committee.

ARTICLE XI.

At each meeting of the Board of Managers, the Treasurer shall present a statement of the receipts and ex-

penditures since the preceding meeting, and of the balance in hand.

ARTICLE XII.

The scholars admitted shall be girls and small boys under seven years of age, and who have sisters in the school.

ARTICLE XIII.

The price of tuition shall be ten cents per week for each child, unless three of a family attend, in which case they shall be admitted for twenty-five cents.

ARTICLE XIV.

The teacher shall make a monthly report of the state of the school to the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE XV.

The affairs of the association, and the control and management of the school shall be under the charge of the managers and officers, and the members of the vestry shall constitute a council of advice.

ARTICLE XVI.

Any amendment to this constitution may be proposed at one meeting of the managers, and acted upon at the succeeding meeting.

Managers of the Parish School.

Mrs. W. H. Ashburst,	Miss Nancy W. Fisher,
Mrs. Thomas Bell,	Mrs. Andrew M. Jones,
Mrs. Aletta Bispham,	Mrs. Anna Parker,
Mrs. W. E. Bowen,	Mrs. F. W. Porter,
Mrs. Catharine H. Bowie,	Mrs. P. Van Pelt,
Miss Elizabeth Butler,	Miss Marianne Walker,
Mrs. Joshua Cowpland,	Miss Charlotte M. Wetherill,
Mrs. Dr. Dillard,	Miss Ellen B. Wheeler.

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Dorcas Society of the Church of the Epiphany.

SINCE our last Annual Report we have had to mourn the loss of one of our most valued and useful members and managers, who was called to rest from her earthly labors of love, in the early part of last summer. She has left a vacancy in our midst, which cannot readily be supplied.

We have also deeply to regret the loss of our Secretary, by her removal from the city. Her efficient services have been much missed during the past season.

Eight hundred and ninety-six garments have been distributed—a large proportion to the children of our Sunday-school.

Treasurer in account with Dorcas Society.

	Dr.	
To subscriptions,	- - - -	87 50
Donations,	- - - -	210 75
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		\$298 25
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Cr.

Expended in materials,	- - - -	247 59
Paying women,	- - - -	41 46
Balance,	- - - -	9 20

 \$298 25

Donations in materials—3 pieces calico; 1 piece sheeting; 1 piece Linsey; 2 pieces satinett; 4 pieces Canton flannel; 2 pieces muslin; 20 pairs stockings; 24 hoods; 26 new garments; 6 lots half worn garments; 2 bundles remnants; 2 pieces flannel.

We return our sincere thanks to the congregation for their aid, and hope they will feel satisfied that their charity is well directed.

Collected by the Bible Society of the Church of the Epiphany, Auxiliary to the Female Bible Society of Philadelphia, \$182 50.

CORNELIA CLAY,

March, 1853.

Treasurer.

LADIES' SEWING SOCIETY.

MARIANNE WALKER, *Treasurer, in account with
Sewing Society of the Church of the Epiphany,
from March 20, 1852, to March 21, 1853.*

Dr.

To balance from last account, - - -	14 56
Subscriptions, - - - - -	15 50
Sales, - - - - -	432 97
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	\$463 03
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Cr.

By cash paid African Mission, -	\$250 00
Materials, - - - - -	105 62
Balance remaining, - - -	107 41
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	\$463 03

BENEVOLENT OPERATIONS.

The various collections of the past year have been, according to the following account of Z. LOCKE, Parish Treasurer:

Receipts.

Balance from last year, - - - -	99
Ladies' Sewing Society, for Africa, - -	250 00
Sunday-schools, for Missions, - - -	250 00
Do. Education of S. H. Tyng, Africa,	20 00
Do. For Sunday-schools in the West,	60 00
Ladies' Society for the Jews, - - -	100 00
From the Collecting Committee during the	
year, - - - - -	2,975 41
Balance due the Treasurer, - - -	41 85
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	\$3,698 25

Paid by order of the Vestry.

To Foreign Committee for support of S. H.	
Tyng and J. H. Fowles in Africa,	40 00
Do. Salary of Bp. and Mrs. Payne in	
Africa, for 1853, - -	750 00
Do. Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum, -	174 00
Do. for Rev. Mr. Hening, - -	50 00
Do. for China, - - -	50 00
To American Bible Society, - - -	50 00
To Education of Young Men for the Ministry,	104 25

To annual payment for support of Episcopate,	150 00
For Convention expenses, - - -	50 00
To Treasurer of Sunday-schools of Church of the Epiphany, - - - -	250 00
To American Sunday-school Union, -	150 00
To Ch. of the Crucifixion, Moyamensing, -	25 00
To Emanuel Church, Kensington, - -	50 00
To Rev. Mr. Jones, City Missionary, -	15 00
To Rev. T. G. Allen, City Missionary, -	50 00
Do. Mr. Kirk, Downingtown, - =	50 00
Do. Mr. Beatty, Tuscarora, - =	50 00
Do. Mr. Fufey, Connellsville, - -	60 00
Do. Mr. Hard, Delaware Co., - =	25 00
Do. Mr. Bacheller, Delaware, - -	75 00
Do. Mr. Brooks, do. - =	100 00
Do. Mr. Carpenter, do. - -	25 00
Do. Mr. Ufford, Kentucky, - -	25 00
Do. Mr. Mitchell, Illinois, - -	15 00
Do. Mr. De Wolf, do. - -	20 00
To Home Mission Ch., Moyamensing, -	50 00
To Bishop White Prayer-book Society, -	50 00
To Evangelical Knowledge Society, -	100 00
To Missions in Western Pennsylvania, -	245 00
To Parish Missionary, - - - -	750 00
London Jews' Society, to constitute Bp. McIl- vain a Life Member, - - - -	100 00

\$3,698 25

SUMMARY.

THE only important new feature which the foregoing report presents, is the establishment during the past year of our Week Day Parish School. This, it was thought, would prove an important auxiliary to the Sunday-school, mingling as it would, the same Christian instruction which the pupils receive on the Lord's day with their common education, and thus deepening and perpetuating the religious impressions which they may have received. It affords us matter of honest and generous congratulation, that the enterprize, as the previous report of the Managers shows, has been thus far so eminently successful. This object is heartily commended to your continued benevolence and prayers. An occasional visit to this flourishing branch of our parochial operations, would no doubt serve to excite a more general interest in its behalf.

The various contributors in our congregation to the Female Bible Society of this city, have also organized themselves into an auxiliary branch of that body, and the sum which they have thus raised for this noble

object, during their first year, is quite handsome, amounting to \$182 50.

At the beginning of our parochial year, the plan was introduced of receiving in the congregation pledges for our general benevolent operations. This system will be continued annually, as it is quite convenient. The amount which was thus pledged, and which has been nearly or quite paid, you will perceive by the report of the Parish Treasurer, is \$2,975 41. This added to the appropriations of our Sunday-schools, and of the Ladies Sewing Society, and the Ladies Society for the Jews, reaches the sum of \$3,655 41.

If we would obtain, however, a correct view of the whole amount which has been contributed for various religious and charitable objects, during the last twelve months within our pale, (aside, of course, from that which has been privately given by our members,) we must add to the above the \$488 50 collected to defray the expenses incidental to the opening of our Parish School; the \$182 50 raised by the Bible Society; the \$298 25 reported by the Dorcas Society; \$685 19 contributed as alms at the communion; and \$305 which have been placed in my hands, at various times, for the relief of individuals. These sums will make our contributions amount during the year to \$5,614 85.

In addition to this, about \$4,000 still continue to be contributed annually towards the liquidation of our

Church debt, which amounts at the present time to \$26,400, although a sinking fund of some \$13,000 it should be remembered is already raised, which by its annual interest and by the sum of about \$9,000 pledged, within the next two years for its increase, will ultimately remove the entire indebtedness of the corporation.

Our temporal condition is indeed prosperous and promising, never perhaps as much so as at present. But this report has to be closed, as several of the preceding, by mourning over the few conversions which have taken place; the superficial convictions of spiritual necessity, which are generally expressed by those who profess to be inquiring the way to Christ; and alas! the apparent inroads which the sin of worldly conformity has made in the ranks of our communicants, including some of whom far other and better things had been hoped. May such be awakened to repentance, and may we all be brought to humble ourselves before God, that the Spirit, who alone can enable us to mortify the flesh, and to be crucified to the world, may be poured upon us afresh, lest our candlestick be removed out of its place, and we be known no more, or at least, not known as we have been in years gone by.

While we make this confession, however, and express this fear, it would be ungrateful to God and unjust to man, if we did not give thanks for the

apparently charitable, and zealous and consistent lives among us of many, who name the name of Christ. May these be abundantly rewarded in their own souls, and filled with all spiritual benediction ; may they grow in grace, and be encouraged by the addition to their number of many who shall be saved !

Your affectionate pastor,

J. H. FOWLES.

NOTICE.

This is the twentieth of an annual series to be printed alike and presented to the congregation at Easter in every year. If they are preserved, each member of the congregation will have a complete history of the Church from its commencement.

The following named gentlemen compose the Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, elected on Easter-Monday, April 17, 1854.

LEWIS R. ASHHURST,
FREDERICK W. PORTER, } *Church Wardens.*

CASPAR MORRIS,
GEORGE B. REESE,
ZEBULON LOCKE,
ALLIN ROBINETT,
WILLIAM E. BOWEN,
JOHN HOCKLEY,
JOSHUA COWPLAND,
EDWARD OLMSTED,
JOHN J. REESE,
PIERCE BUTLER.

Sexton,

JACOB LEIDY.

Assistant Sexton,

GEORGE BUCHANAN.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

EASTER, 1854.

MARRIAGES.

The late Rector officiated at *eleven* marriages during the year; and the Rev. Mr. Walsh at *three*, making a total of *fourteen*.

BAPTISMS.

The late Rector baptized *four* adults and *fifteen* children, the Rev. Mr. Prentiss *six* children, and the Rev. Mr. Walsh *two* adults and *fourteen* children.

CONFIRMATIONS.

On the 22d of May, 1853, *twenty-three* persons, and on the 29th of that month, *one* person, (in St. Philip's Church,) making *twenty-four* in all, were confirmed by Bishop Potter.

Their names are as follows:—

Fanny Bain,	Margaret Kees,
Mary Y. Brinton,	Jane C. M'Mullin,
Cecilia V. Cardwell,	Galloway C. Morris,
William B. Crooks,	Fanny J. Oliver,
J. Alfred Eisenbrey,	James O. Paxson,
Nancy Wharton Fisher,	Mrs. Anna Rees,
Maria B. Harbeson,	Julia Stockton,

Ellen D. Harper,	Elizabeth C. Stovell,
Mrs. A. C. Hartshorne,	Ellen Thomas,
Edward Hartshorne,	Lucy Thomas,
Catharine Hood,	Anderson M. Wylie,
Mrs. Harriet D. Jones,	Robert T. Conrad.

COMMUNICANTS.

Of these there were reported last year, *five hundred and eleven*. By deaths and removals, we have lost during the year just closed, *thirty*; and in the same period, there have been added *twenty-three*, making the present total number *five hundred and four*.

The following is a list of the names of those who have joined our Communion during the past twelve months.

Fanny Bain,	Margaret Kees,
Mary Y. Brinton,	Jane C. M'Mullen,
Cecilia V. Cardwell,	Galloway C. Morris,
Robert T. Conrad,	Fanny J. Oliver,
William B. Crooks,	James O. Paxson,
Mrs. Augusta Davis,	Mrs. Emma H. Reath,
J. Alfred Eisenbrey,	Mrs. Anna Rees,
Maria B. Harbeson,	Julia Stockton,
Ellen D. Harper,	Elizabeth C. Stovell,
Catharine Hood,	Ellen Thomas,
Mrs. Harriet D. Jones,	Anderson M. Wylie.
Hugh Kirkpatrick,	

BURIALS.

Of these there have been *nineteen* of adults and *nine* of children, making *twenty-eight* in all.

NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Sunday-school Association of the Church of the Epiphany,

JANUARY, 1854.

DURING the past year, God in his sovereign wisdom has seen fit to interrupt that "continuous flow of blessings," referred to by our beloved Rector, as marking the operations of the Sunday-schools, during the period embraced in our last annual report. Sickness and death have been sent to admonish us of the changes and uncertainties of the present life, and likewise of the necessity of greater diligence, perseverance and prayer in our blessed Master's service, now "while the day lasts, and ere the night cometh in which no man can work."

The Shepherd of the flock, our Pastor and head, has been visited with suffering and affliction; and his presence always so encouraging, and his instructions always so edifying, have been withdrawn from us. Yet we desire in humble faith, to repose in the same covenant-keeping

God who has been *his* consolation and support; "who doeth all things well," and has promised to appoint unto those who "mourn in Zion, beauty for ashes; the oil of joy for mourning; and the garments of praise for the spirit of heaviness." The Saviour will still "feed His flock." He will "gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom."

Six of our scholars, four from the Female Department, and two from the Male School, have been removed by death. Of one of these her teacher remarks:

"This was a very pleasant girl, aged thirteen years, who had attended school only about three months, who was much interested in her studies; and her correct deportment and the good example she set the class, in the preparation of her lessons, made her loss very much felt. Her family belonging to another denomination, she was visited during her illness by their own minister, and her friends thought that there was hope in her death." We sincerely trust, that by the instructions she received during her brief connection with the Sunday-school, God had made her "wise unto salvation."

In the month of July another scholar departed this life, of a rapid consumption, aged sixteen

years. She belonged to the same class with the preceding, had been a member of it and instructed by the same teacher for seven years. She was a quiet and reserved child, and not very much was known of the state of her mind previous to her last illness. The Rector and other of her friends in the Church were absent from the city at the time of her death. She was attended by a clergyman from another congregation, and from him received the communion.

In the month of July, an interesting and beloved member of the First Female Bible Class, Emma Moore, was called hence to enter upon that rest which remaineth for the people of God, and "to become a partaker of that heavenly inheritance to which, by faith, she had long been looking forward."

In the latter part of August, a dear little child, Matilda M. Olmsted, a member of the Female School, was taken to the bosom of her Saviour.

At the same time, the mortal remains of Eueua M'Allister, who was brought up in the school, and was afterwards a much loved and valued teacher, were committed by her pastor to the grave, there to await the resurrection of the just.

"Thus," to use the language of the superin-

tendent of the Female Sunday-school, "after many years of almost uninterrupted prosperity, the Lord hath spoken to us in *judgment* and with the voice of *warning*." Oh! that we all, both teachers and taught, may have grace to "hear the rod and Him that hath appointed it."

The schools are generally in a prosperous condition in respect to numbers, and the attendance of the scholars is creditable, while they seem to be interested in their studies, and give evidence of improvement in the knowledge of the Holy Scriptures. "There has been," says the superintendent of the Male Department, "no *decided* evidence of the work of the Spirit, but we should feel it our privilege to labor for our gracious Lord, leaving the result with Him, fully satisfied that we cannot serve Him in vain."

The Bible Classes, male and female, are well attended, and by the indefatigable exertions of their teachers, we trust that God is causing the good seed of His truth to take root downwards, which in due time will bear fruit upward to His honor and glory.

The Infant Classes are full, and give cheering evidence of improvement under the faithful instructions of their teachers. These schools are from time to time supplying the intermediate

schools with pupils, while their places are again taken by others still younger.

The size and character of the entire Sunday-school of our Church was shown at our anniversary, held on the afternoon of Christmas day, when with appropriate devotional exercises, and singing by the children, a sermon was preached from Psalm xxxiv. 11, and a book presented to each of the pupils. It was a touching and beautiful sight, and was well calculated powerfully to impress all who witnessed it, with the utility of Sunday-schools when properly organized and faithfully conducted.

In the enlargement of the Church, which has just been completed, an eye was had to the better accommodation of the various Schools and Bible Classes, and we now enjoy the desirable comforts of well ventilated and well heated rooms, and a capacious gallery devoted entirely to the use of the children, where they can easily see and hear during divine service.

The following summary of the number of teachers and scholars, has been gathered from the reports of the different departments:

Male Department.

	Teachers.	Scholars.
Intermediate School, - - -	24	178
Bible Class, - - -	1	13
Infant Class, - - -	1	57
Boys in the Female Infant Class,		30
Total,	26	278

Female Department.

	Teachers.	Scholars.
Intermediate Department, -	29	242
Bible Classes, - - -	2	70
Infant Class, - - -	1	70
Total,	32	382

It will thus be seen that there are in both departments, 58 teachers and 660 scholars.

The missionary collections during the year have been as follows:

From the Male Department, - -	\$105
From the Female Department, -	240
Total,	345

In thus reviewing our operations during the past year, while we have much to humble us, we have yet good reason to thank God and take

courage, assured that it is His work, and comforted with the reflection, that He will perform it, and cause it to redound to His glory in the final salvation of many precious souls, and that if we address ourselves to our respective duties in reliance upon His "sufficient grace and perfecting strength," and with earnest and increasing prayer, we shall find at length that *our labor* has not been in vain in the Lord.

And now, may "the God of Peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do His will, working in us that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen."

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PARISH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

The Parochial Schools of the Church of the Epiphany have now been for more than a year and a half in active operation. In the past year many changes have occurred of a discouraging character, yet the Managers desire to acknowledge the goodness of God, as shown towards them continually, under every vicissitude and trial.

Early in June, the schools were removed from the rooms they had previously occupied, on account of the projected enlargement of the Church building. On the 30th of June they were closed entirely for the season, the Church Building Committee at that time considering it unsafe for the children longer to attend, while the workmen were engaged in the removal of a part of the edifice.

In the autumn, in order not to delay the re-opening of the school, until an entirely unseasonable period, by the advice of the Rector, a room was obtained in the Western House of Employment, to be used as long as might be needed, at

an expense of twenty dollars. After the removal of books and slates, and the necessary articles of furniture for use, the school was opened in this room on the 13th of September, with 52 scholars, all to be taught in the same room.

This arrangement continued till the new rooms, in the back of the Church, were ready for occupation, which occurred early in December, when the schools were again removed to the Church. They are now located in the two rooms provided for the Male and Female Sunday Infant Schools.

Of course the number of scholars was not much enlarged under these unfavorable circumstances of change, but through the winter the increase was gradual, and in February, the whole number was 84. In that month, a change, always important, took place in the Infant School Department by the resignation of the teacher, and the appointment of a new one to fill the vacancy. Miss E. Holcraft, an experienced teacher from one of our common schools, entered upon the duties of this post on the 15th of February.

There are now in the Infant Department 49 children, and in the principal school for older girls, 51; in all 100. The attendance is generally good, when the weather is at all favorable. There is a visible improvement in the deportment of the children, in their attention to their lessons,

and in the department of sewing, which is especially under the care of the Managers. It would be gratifying to them and to the teachers, if the members of the Association and other friends of the institution would visit the schools, and observe for themselves, the order and propriety with which they are conducted. They will find the entrance on Linden street, in the rear of the Church.

The Managers cannot close their report, without expressing their deep sense of the sad bereavement, with which, in common with all the members of the congregation, they have recently been visited. Especially do they feel that the hand of the Lord has been heavy upon them. The sympathy that always cheered and encouraged, the counsel that guided, the voice and smile that ever animated them—all are gone! In sorrow and sadness must they weep, for the Lord hath sorely stricken them. The pastor and friend who prayed and labored for their success is taken away from them. Yet may His hand who wounded, pour the balm of healing, and His grace be given to sanctify this great affliction, which He himself, hath in His wisdom, sent upon the Church.

April 1, 1854.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER
OF THE
PARISH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

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Balance due Treasurer,	-	-	\$8 16
Teachers' Salaries,	-	-	425 00
Rent of room at Western House of			
Employment,	-	-	20 00
1 Ton of Coal,	-	-	5 50
Books, &c.,	-	-	4 80
Cleaning rooms,	-	-	29 00
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			\$492 46

Dr.			
Annual Subscriptions,	-	-	\$109 00
24 Scholarships,	-	-	120 00
Tuition Money,	-	-	193 04
Donations,	-	-	51 50
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			473 54
Balance due Treasurer,	-	-	18 92
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			\$492 46

April, 1854.

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE

Dorcas Society of the Church of the Epiphany.

The average attendance at the meetings of our Society this winter has been twenty, the number of names enrolled is fifty-four.

The number of garments distributed has been 694.

The Treasurer's receipts have been, by subscription, \$76 50; by donation, \$199 00; whole amount, \$275 50: expended for work, \$41 48; total amount expended, \$270 06; balance, \$4 44.

Donations in materials—3 bundles of clothing; 1 bundle of infants' clothing; 1 piece of satinett; 1 piece of Kentucky jean; 2 pieces of Canton flannel; 2 pieces of calico; 1 piece of gingham; 6 shawls; 2 infants' dresses; 23 shirts; 1 piece mousselin de laine; 20 hoods; 1 dozen boys' caps.

EMILY WELLS.

April 10, 1854.

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT
OF
THE BIBLE SOCIETY
OF THE
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,

Auxiliary to the Female Bible Society of Philadelphia.

In stating to the Society the result of our operations during the past year, we would remark, that though the amount collected appears at first, much less than that received the previous year, we shall find a slight increase, after making allowance for life subscriptions.

New interest has been given to the Society by the opportunities afforded us of distributing Bibles. One or two families, destitute of the Word of God, have been supplied, and several individuals too poor to purchase, have also received it gratuitously. Among these, the aged especi-

ally, have most thankfully acknowledged the gift of a copy of the Holy Scriptures in type suited to their failing sight.

We would affectionately urge upon this Society the importance of the cause in which we are engaged. In no way can we better show our own estimation of the Word of God, than by endeavoring to make others participants of its glorious truths, and now that crime and infidelity are so rapidly advancing, we should labor with renewed diligence to arrest their fearful progress by "the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God."

Were any additional motive needed to united and increased effort in this holy cause, we might find one in the affecting recollection, that this Society was one, if not *the last* of our Church associations organized at the request and with the approval and encouragement of our late beloved and lamented Pastor. In token then of our affectionate remembrance of him who so faithfully expounded to us this Holy Volume, and so beautifully exemplified its precepts, let us continue to labor with one heart and mind, "that God's word may have free course and be glorified," and to pray that his blessing may attend our imperfect but sincere endeavors.

Statement of Receipts.

Subscriptions,	-	-	-	-	\$165 53
Donations,	-	-	-	-	5 00
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					\$170 53

CORNELIA CLAY,
Treasurer.

The Treasurer also acknowledges the receipt of six duodecimo and six octavo Bibles, from the Librarian of the Female Bible Society, all of which have been distributed.

April 11, 1854.

LADIES' SEWING SOCIETY.

M. WALKER, *Treasurer, in account with Sewing Society, from March 20, 1853, to March 20, 1854.*

Dr.				
To Balance from last year,	-	-		107 41
To Donations,	-	-	-	16 00
To Subscriptions,	-	-	-	9 50
To Sales,	-	-	-	395 64
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				\$528 55

Cr.	
By cash to African Mission,	250 00
“ Church of the Crucifixion,	50 00
“ Rev. Dr. M'Leod,	25 00
“ Rev. Mr. Temple,	25 00
“ Rev. Mr. Kirk,	20 00
“ Rev. Mr. Winchester,	20 00
“ Rev. William Douglass,	20 00
“ Material for surplices,	
Church of the Epiphany,	15 00
“ Materials for work,	92 15
“ on hand,	11 40
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\$528 55	

BENEVOLENT OPERATIONS.

The various collections of the past year are thus stated in the account of Mr. Z. Locke, the Parish Treasurer.

Receipts.

Ladies' Sewing Society, for Africa, -	\$250 00
Sunday-schools, for Mission, - -	250 00
Do. Education of S. H. Tyng, Africa, -	20 00
Do. For Amer. Sunday-school Union, -	100 00
Do. For Messinger Press, - -	90 00
Ladies' Society for the Jews, - -	98 00
From the Collecting Committee during the year, - - - -	2,869 74
Balance due the Treasurer, - -	84 71
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	\$3,762 45

Paid by order of the Vestry.

To Foreign Committee for support of S. H. Tyng, in Africa, -	20 00
Do. Salary of Bp. and Mrs. Payne in Africa, for 1854, - -	750 00
Do. Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum, -	25 00
Do. for Messinger Press, - -	90 00
Do. for China, - - - -	50 00
To American Bible Society, - -	100 00

To annual payment for support of Epis- copate, - - - - -	150 00
For Convention expenses, - -	80 00
To Treasurer of Sunday-schools of Church of the Epiphany, - -	357 60
To American Sunday-school Union, -	225 00
To Church of the Nativity, Spring Garden, - - - - -	100 00
To Church of the Crucifixion, Moya- mensing, - - - - -	25 00
To Emanuel Church, Kensington, -	50 00
To Rev. T. G. Allen, City Missionary, Do. Mr. Kirk, Downingtown, -	50 00
Do. Mr. Meyer, Churchtown, -	25 00
Do. Mr. Bea'ty, - - - -	50 00
Do. Mr. Furey, - - - -	100 00
Do. Mr. Hard, Delaware Co., -	50 00
Do. Mr. Bacheller, Delaware, -	75 00
Do. Mr. Brooks, do. - -	100 00
Do. Mr. Winchester, Chester Co., -	50 00
To Church at Rockford, Illinois, -	25 00
To Episcopal Hospital, - - -	100 00
To Seamen's Friend Society, - -	50 00
To Bishop White Prayer-book Society, -	25 00
To Evangelical Knowledge Society, -	100 00
To Mr. M'Paul, Colporteur and Sun- day-school Missionary, - -	175 00

To Parish Missionary, - - -	575 00
London Jews' Society, to constitute	
Bishop Meade a Life Member, -	98 00
Balance due Treasurer from last year,	41 85
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	\$3,762 45.

By directions of the Vestry, the task of preparing the usual annual report of the state of the congregation, was committed to the Church Wardens, and the result of their labor (kindly aided by the Rev. Mr. Walsh) has been herewith submitted.

The year just ended has been one of great trial and affliction. At its opening, every prospect was encouraging; many temporal blessings and some measure of spiritual prosperity distinguished us as a congregation. Favored in our late beloved Pastor with a spiritual guide, in whom divine grace, and rare intellectual powers were alike conspicuous, we had much to tempt us to pride and self-complacency.

It has pleased the great head of the Church to take away our earthly dependence, and to teach us, by this most afflictive Providence, how widely

our short-sighted and erring views differ from the plans and arrangements of heavenly wisdom.

May the Hand which has smitten us, again graciously raise us up; may we learn to value more the faithful and experimental preaching of the gospel, and united in love among ourselves, and in zeal for the cause of the Lord Jesus Christ; may we be permitted to enjoy years of much spiritual prosperity in time to come.

It has been thought well to append to our report the letter describing some of the last hours of our lamented Rector, most kindly furnished to us by his sympathising friend, the Rev. Mr. Pringle, of South Carolina.

LEWIS R. ASHHURST,
FREDERICK W. PORTER,
Church Wardens.

Philadelphia, April 17, 1854.

LEWIS R. ASHHURST, Esq.

Church of the Epiphany, Philada.

Dear Sir:—At your repeated request, I hasten to offer you some account of your late Rector in his last moments.

I think myself happy that I was permitted to see how the faith and patience of the saints were exemplified by him in the closing scene of his life; and although my report of the matter, I am sensible, must be very imperfect, yet it is nothing too much to say that none of his thoughts or feelings were hid from me. But I cannot make a just representation of him, without speaking of the state of his health at the time of arrival at the parsonage, and during his stay here.

It was evident that his bodily suffering was greater than usually falls to the lot of the languishing consumptive. His decline had been rapid. The feeling of general and total exhaustion was unusually great, owing no doubt to the circumstance of his disease coming upon him immediately after the severe attack of fever in September last.

His feet were swelled, and what is remarkable, they were also painful on being handled or touched. His cough was sometimes attended with acute pain in the lower jaw. He did not expectorate freely, and for a day or two, complained of much oppression at the chest, which was soon afterwards accounted for by his spitting up a good deal of blood, that had been collecting in his lungs. But when this was over he seemed to be quite relieved from every thing that had been peculiarly distressing, and we hoped and thought that he might be improving.

He went out to ride, and once in going and returning was carried the distance of sixteen miles, and found no inconvenience from it; and, on the whole, appeared to be better. But, alas! it was then that the worst of all made its appearance.

His body had been slightly tympanitic, but he had not mentioned it, and it had been very little regarded. The distention, however, began at once to increase, and no impression could be made to reduce it by any of the usual remedies.

Prussic acid was tried repeatedly with no effect whatever. It only subsided to any noticeable extent in the gradual sinking and giving way of his system before death took place; which event was painfully and long deferred, even for two

days and more, after a difficulty in swallowing had prevented his receiving but a very few teaspoonfulls of tea, and about the same quantity of thin gruel.

And now to speak of our dear friend's spiritual and Christian bearing on the bed of sickness and death.

It would be idle to pretend that his inner man was unaffected or untouched by the sufferings which still detained and tortured him in the prison of the body—but our testimony is, that as he lived so he died. This simple announcement is enough to signify to all who knew him, the certain expectation which he had of complete felicity and eternal glory. But I must say more, at least for love's sake, and for the sake of exhortation and instruction. To such as were intimately acquainted with our late brother, he was a living illustration of that important aspect of the Christian life represented by St. Paul, when describing himself and other Christians "as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing."

In his life-time he powerfully exemplified the sorrow and the joy of a sinful and lost man, saved and sanctified by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. And now that we are called to consider the "end of his conversation," it will be

seen by what remains to be told, that the same unmistakeable feature of genuine apostolic Christianity was equally, if not still more apparent in him.

The evening of the day he arrived, (Friday, the 10th of February,) he lay in bed weary and exhausted, by the trying journey from Pocotaligo, and again from Charleston, and was apparently indisposed to talk, except with God, repeating at short intervals one after another, many passages of Scripture, some verses in full, but only parts of others. A few of these are well remembered, and must be set down as giving the most distinct and satisfactory idea of him that can be expressed in words.

I will give these Scriptures entire, but you will observe that so much as was actually repeated by him, is printed in italic.

"I know, Oh Lord! that thy judgments are right, and that thou in faithfulness hast afflicted me."
"For our light affliction which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory." "Heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ, if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together."
"We know that all things work together for good to them that love God, that are the called according

to his purpose." *"My witness is in heaven, and my record is on high."* *"Be merciful unto me, Oh God! Be merciful to me, for my soul trusteth in thee, and in the shadow of thy wings, will I make my refuge, until these calamities be overpast."* *"Have pity upon me! Have pity upon me, Oh, my friends! for the hand of God hath touched me."* *"Oh that I knew where I might find him, that I might come even to his seat."* *"But he knoweth the way that I take, and when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold."*

The supposition I have formed is, that these several places of Scripture were fully in his mind, but that in speaking to himself and to God, the act of utterance was merely for the sake of greater emphasis, for his own edification and comfort. It was thus that he communed with his own heart upon his bed, in the same spirit of faith, in which he had taught and spoken in the church, and on all occasions. It was perhaps the next night, that he prayed aloud as follows. "Blessed Jesus, in all my afflictions, thou art afflicted. I am but filling up that which remaineth of the sufferings of thy body. Keep this ever before me! I do so forget, Lord! I do so forget! Keep this ever before me, that I shall not suffer one pang more than is needful. Thanks be to thee

for the little thou hast accomplished by me, corrupted as it has all been through my vile selfishness."

I will now throw together some things that occurred in the course of his first and second week.

The coughing up of blood, lasted nearly all the first week, and after it ceased, during a part of the week which followed, he was more easy and comfortable.

He repeated to me one morning, with strong approval, a remark by a distinguished Christian friend, that "there is sin enough in the best man to sink a navy."

At this time he was much occupied in self-abasing and humbling reflections. He said to me, "I love penitence," and as a pleasing instance of it, spoke of a gratifying letter lately received from his eldest little boy. His mother was often the subject of his thoughts, and he recited two verses of a favorite Psalm (xvii. of David) which, at her desire had been sung at her funeral.

"What sinners value I resign,
Lord, 'tis enough that thou art mine;
I shall behold thy blissful face,
And stand complete in righteousness."

My flesh shall slumber in the ground,
Till the last trumpet's joyful sound;
Then burst the chains with sweet surprise,
And in my Saviour's image rise."

It seemed as if he was engaged in a survey of his whole life from early boyhood, and made many penitent confessions, his eyes filling with tears as he spoke. "I never knew gratitude to others, until long after I grew up. It was the fruit of mature years."

In some of the changes which his failing frame underwent, his manner was as if he would say—"Now is my soul troubled."

The day after the hemorrhage commenced, he spoke but little, and scarcely replied when spoken to.

From what occasionally fell from his lips, I judged that he was absorbed by the consideration of God's withholding his comforting and supporting presence; and when the attempt was made to re-animate him by means of the divine promises, he instantly joined in the effort, and in an undertone of deep and tearful and almost choking emotion, he cried, "Light is sown for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart." It was observed, that when in the prayer for a sick person, we came to the petition "preserve

him from the temptations of the enemy," he interposed with his emphatic "Amen." Once he said, "Satan has no pity," meaning, I presume, that he was then experiencing the truth of that common saying. I heard him also about this time repeat, but indistinctly, and as if to himself, the prayer of St. Augustine, "*Da quod jubes, et jube quod vis.*" "Lord, I am impatient under thy will," was one of his declarations, at one trying stage of his daily decline.

In the evenings, a psalm was read to him before finally arranging for the night, and he was generally deeply moved by the voice of God in Holy Scripture. "Blessed book," he would say of the Bible. The xcivth Psalm having been read one evening, on my entering his room, he spoke of it, and of its wonderful adaptation to his circumstances, and particularly the verse—"Blessed is the man whom thou chastenest, oh Lord, and teachest him out of thy law."

Our attentive physician visiting him one day, and endeavoring to cheer him with the prospect of a partial restoration, he answered, "Well, I am in good hands, my Father will do whatever is best." "Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him."

On one occasion, he referred to the words,

(Rom. xii. 1,) "Present your bodies a *living sacrifice*," and commented thus, "a living," not a dead sacrifice; but it may be taken the other way, "a lively" to the contrary of "dull." The thought occupied his mind, and indicated rather than uttered, was the privilege of having the energies and opportunities of life, in order to the exercise of love and gratitude to God.

I come now to the third and last week of his earthly pilgrimage—"I am a weary pilgrim," was one of his habitual sayings.

It was early in the week that our anxiety was raised to its height by the greatness of his sufferings, and the apparent uselessness of all that could be attempted for his relief.

Nothing was of any real use except Morphine, which had to be given in doses, to produce stupor and insensibility. The fact that he was dying, had not yet been announced to him, but he was not inattentive to his situation. He was a close observer to the last. On Monday, the 27th, he held a small looking glass before him, and immediately exclaimed, "God is going to take me; I see it, I am very much changed." He was then sitting on the bed by a window, and remained in that position for half an hour. He talked very cheerfully and instructively, "How beautiful is

every thing! that God should make such a world for fallen creatures!" In reply, something was said about the narrowness of the view, and the nakedness of the trees at that time. He answered, "I don't think so, to me it all looks beautiful." He called to mind some of his past observations upon the different classes of persons in the visible church. "Some will not hear of works. They depend for salvation upon their mental knowledge of the way to be saved." This half hour's conversation was eminently characteristic of him, and of his office of a watchman unto the house of Israel, (see Ezekiel, xxxiii.) I feel myself bound, therefore, to record his earnest assertion of the too frequent union of a clear understanding of the theory of divine truth, with an utter destitution of real spiritual life.

I cannot but invite particular attention to this statement, which he illustrated, and made very prominent by examples drawn from the memoranda of his ministerial experience.

Tuesday, the 28th, he desired me to write and make known his wish to be buried at the Church of the Epiphany. It was either this day, or the day before, that one said to him in rising up from prayer at his bedside, "I am afraid that I do not

pray as I ought, for your bodily health." "Ah!" he replied, "what I want is sanctification."

Tuesday and Wednesday were days of uneasiness and suffering. On Wednesday, I left him, in order to call in the aid of another physician. On my return in the evening, he requested all who attended upon him, to unite in solemn prayer. He selected the well known hymn, "Rock of Ages," and appointed the first chapter of 1st Corinthians, beginning at the 17th verse, "For Christ sent me, not to baptize," &c., to the end of the chapter.

Thursday he was a little easier, and active medical treatment was resorted to, but with no result. To-day, by way of answer to one who indulged the wish that he might suffer less pain, he pointed up with sudden energy and said, "All right." On the disappearance of something that had been distressing to him, he said, "He stayeth his rough wind, in the day of the east wind," adding an exclamation to the effect, that the correspondence between the language of Scripture, and the real occurrences of life was wonderful. He wished to die with the words in his mouth, "Whom have I in heaven but thee, and there is none upon earth that I desire besides thee." "Blessed words," he called them.

Lying in bed, he slowly and emphatically repeated, "Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven," not as praying but as reflecting.

Thursday night can never be forgotten. I communicated to him the reality that his death was at hand.

He was silent some minutes, when he spoke, it was "I bow to thy will," bowing his head. He again declared his wish, that his burial might be in the city of Philadelphia. He then gave me his parting words, addressed to myself.

Friday his sufferings were great. He apprehended with some dread that he would die by strangling, but was afterwards less under this apprehension, or less affected by it. He made a kind of leave-taking address to his medical attendant. "May God bless you for all your kindness! Seek God! Oh, seek God! What will you do without him in this hour?" A message to the same effect was sent to one of his classmates when in Yale College, who residing in the neighborhood and hearing of his illness, had called to inquire after him.

To-day he prayed anxiously, "Oh, God, leave me not to perish." He also made use of the Scripture, "Verily thou art a God that hidest thyself." To us who watched by him in these

trials, it was truly consoling to hear him also repeat with heavenly animation the lines—

“Do not I love thee, Oh, my God ?
Then let me nothing love ;
Dead be my heart to every joy,
That thou dost not approve.”

Friday and Saturday he received no nourishment; his mind wandered at times. Saturday night and Sunday morning he was more himself. “How blessed,” he exclaimed, “to be at peace with all the world !” It was added, “and to be at peace with God.” “Yes,” (lifting up his eyes, and with his right arm stretched to its full length) “through Jesus, that immaculate Lamb.”

It was two o'clock on Sunday morning that he took an affecting leave of his devoted wife. At his affectionate summons she came in bowed down with grief. He said, “I am going to Jesus, you must meet me there ;” then placing his death cold hand upon her head, while one stood by to wet his lips every instant, he uttered slowly and distinctly the following memorable farewell.

“The blessing of your husband's God be upon you ! May he be with you and help you in every trouble ; may his Spirit guide you through your journey, in your passage to his heavenly presence,

where I will welcome you with open arms, and stand by while Jesus receives you into his kingdom.”

For some hours after daylight, he was quite composed, and about 9 o'clock said, “Now, I would have been shaking hands with all the children.” He meant, the children of his Sunday-school.

I may take this opportunity of stating that he had before expressly desired the assurance of his remembrance and fervent love to be communicated to his Vestry and congregation, of whom he mentioned several as particularly dear to him.

From ten or eleven o'clock (Sunday) until two in the afternoon, he suffered most severely, and his countenance gave the impression of greater physical distress than ever. Morphine relieved him, and he awaked once or twice afterwards.

He expired about twenty minutes after six o'clock, Sunday evening, March 5th. In the moment of death he was conscious. This was shown by his declining in a clear voice the offer to raise him up. He also crossed his hands upon his breast, and adjusted himself to die ; a point about which he had previously signified a particular concern.

I have now, dear sir, put you in possession of

the information you wanted. Before I conclude, permit me to present you with an extract from his last letter to myself.

The letter is dated July 28, 1853, a few short weeks before he was taken, as it has proved, fatally sick. Here is the extract. He wrote thus:

"The end and aim of all that I am passing through, seems to be to create within me a thorough desire to leave all and be with Christ."

Again, in connection with his sufferings of every kind, it may be useful to call to remembrance, what he himself publicly said in that very sermon noticed by Bishop Potter, in his address at the funeral. The manuscript of the sermon is before me. The following is an extract from it:

"We are brought (by baptism) into fellowship with Christ's sufferings. His life even in its darkest aspect is a pattern of ours." "He was a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief." Which of his people has not been made to drink of the same cup? Which has not been substantially tempted in all points like as Christ? Nay! been called to a warfare to which our Lord himself was a stranger, for he was without sin, but in them there has been a continual and strong lusting of the flesh against the Spirit. In the

midst of all too, they have been sometimes sensibly forsaken from on high, and they have had often to look up, and cry out, "Verily thou art a God that hidest thyself, oh God of Israel, the Saviour." Nor have they been exempted from the pains of the last hour, but they have been called to pass through "the valley of the shadow of death."

It cannot be overrating these short extracts from his writings of last year to say, that they show how our Brother was being providentially disciplined and prepared for the time and manner of that death, by which he should glorify God.

Our Brother, now of "blessed memory," himself saw and acknowledged the goodness and mercy of God, which both guided and followed him even to this last earthly abode, where he died.

He often spoke with admiration and thankfulness of the divine appointment of a lingering disease to carry off one, placed like him, a city Rector, in a large city, where he had been overwhelmed with too many visits and applications of a worldly nature, not leaving him as he thought, sufficient retirement for the duties of the study and the closet.

Talking with me some day in the course of the last three weeks, and admiring the wisdom of Providence appearing in the sickness he was dying of, and in other particulars of his case, he suddenly threw up his hands to God, exclaiming, with a kind of delightful enjoyment, "Oh wonderful in counsel, and excellent in working."

Let this then be my concluding notice of one, who to me, as to many others was, I believe, a brother beloved, yea and much more than a brother, even a father in Christ, whom, "when the ear heard him, then it blessed him, and when the eye saw him, it gave witness to him."

May his good example be blessed to us, and we all from his sufferings learn to join more understandingly and fervently in that prayer at the Christian's grave.

"Oh holy and merciful Saviour, thou most worthy Judge eternal, suffer us not, at our last hour, for any pains of death to fall from thee."

Faithfully yours,

J. MAXWELL PRINGLE.

Parsonage,

Zion Church, Richland, S. C.

March, 1854.

TWENTY-FIRST

PASTORAL REPORT

OF THE

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,

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BY

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NOTICE.

This is the twenty-first of an annual series to be printed alike and presented to the congregation at Easter in every year. If they are preserved, each member of the congregation will have a complete history of the Church from its commencement.

The following named gentlemen compose the Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, elected on Easter-Monday, April 9, 1855.

LEWIS R. ASHHURST,	} <i>Church Wardens.</i>
FREDERICK W. PORTER,	
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GEORGE B. REESE,	
ZEBULON LOCKE,	
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WILLIAM E. BOWEN,	
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CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

EASTER, 1855.

For the twenty-first time is the Annual Report presented to the congregation of the Church of the Epiphany. Ten of these were presented by the first Rector of the Parish; nine by the second, and one by the Vestry, soon after that second pastor had been called to his reward. It is now the privilege of the third in the same way to address you. It may be well to begin with a brief summary of the past.

The first Rector of this church entered on his work with 92 families, embracing 350 souls, and 29 communicants. During the first ten years of its history, there occurred marriages, 174; baptisms, adults, 112, infants, 425—total, 537; confirmations, 488; communicants admitted from other churches, 296, on profession of faith, 543—total, 839.

During the second ten years, there were, marriages, 136; baptisms, infants, 419, adults, 26—total, 445; confirmations, 137; communicants received from other churches, 215, on profession of faith, 138—total, 353.

Thus, previous to Easter, 1854, there had been in

all, marriages, 310; baptisms, infants, 844, adults, 138—total, 982; confirmations, 625; communicants received from other churches, 511, first admitted in this church, 481—total, 1192. There were at that time reported as connected with the church, 300 families, a number nearly equal to the number of souls during the first year of the parish. The present Rector, however, has not yet been able to discover so many.

During the past year there have been :

MARRIAGES

Solemnized by myself, *eleven*; by the Rev. Mr. Thrall, *two*; in all, *thirteen*.

BAPTISMS.

Baptized by me, infants, *thirty-four*, adults, *three*; by the Rev. Mr. Thrall, *three* infants—making *thirty-seven* infants and *three* adults.

FUNERALS.

I have attended *ten* funerals, and the Rev. Mr. Thrall, *sixteen*: in all, *twenty-six*.

CONFIRMATIONS.

On the night of the 29th of January, the Rt. Rev. Alonzo Potter confirmed the following *thirty-two* persons :

John G. Standbridge, Helen Kirkpatrick,
William G. Caldclough, Susan Kirkpatrick,

William W. Algen,	Maria M. Wiley,
Alexander Campbell,	Margaret Cherry,
Henry K. Dillard,	Elizabeth Johnston,
Bernard S. Dupuy,	Nannie L. Edmonds,
M. Mesier Reese,	Anna H. M. Seed,
Henry R. Smith,	Mary E. Tutton,
Charles W. Duane,	Agnes P. Rees,
Charles E. Murray,	Elizabeth James,
Mrs. Grace Campbell,	Mary M. Bryant,
Mrs. Martha Hill,	Anne Luke,
Mrs. Maria Hall,	Eliza Bricknell,
Mrs. Augusta E. Davis,	Margaret J. M'Cauley,
Anna Davar,	Mary E. Bowen,
Catharine Kees,	Elizabeth W. Key. 32

Another, who was to have been confirmed, was kept away by the violence of the storm; and several other applicants were deferred until the next administration of the Rite.

COMMUNICANTS.

During the year *five* communicants have died, and *eighteen* have removed; making a loss of *twenty-three*. *Fifty-six* have been received; *seventeen* from other churches, and *thirty-nine* on profession of faith in Christ, of whom some had been previously confirmed, and *two* are now "ready and desirous" so to be. *Two* of those admitted have removed again within the year. Those whose names are in *italics* came from other churches.

Mrs. Grace Campbell,
Mrs. Sarah Carpenter,
 Hugh M^cBride,
Mrs. Maria Cochran,
Charles Stokes,
Mrs. Josephine Stokes,
Sarah Stroup,
Mrs. Frances Johnson,
 Mary Ames,
Mrs. Catharine M. Tyng,
 William W. Algeu,
 Mrs. Martha Hill,
 Alexander Campbell,
 Henry K. Dillard,
 Bernard S. Dupuy,
 Charles W. Duane,
 Charles E. Murray,
 Maria M. Wiley,
 Margaret Cherry,
 John G. Standbridge,
 Mrs. Maria Hall,
 Elizabeth Johnston,
Nannie L. Edmonds,
Alexander Block.
 Mrs. Julia A. M. Levin,
 Thomasina H. Gist,
 Louisa C. Levin,

Elizabeth Kees,
 Catharine Kees,
 Mary E. Bowen,
 Henry R. Smith,
 M. Mesier Reese,
 Elizabeth W. Key,
 Mrs. Mary Tutton,
 Mary E. Tutton,
 Agnes P. Rees,
 William G. Caldecleugh,
 Elizabeth James,
 Mary M. Bryant,
 Anne Luke,
 Margaret J. M^cCauley,
 Anna Davar,
 Helen Kirkpatrick,
 Susan Kirkpatrick,
 Eliza Bricknell,
 Elizabeth Clark,
Margaret Cranby,
 James M^cMullan,
 Mrs. Anna M^cDonald,
 Anna H. M. Seed,
Edward C. Biddle,
Mrs. Frances M. Taylor,
Cornelia F. Taylor,
Mrs. Anna M. Truitt.

The Communicants, so far as can be ascertained, are as follows. All who were known to have left, have been stricken from the list. Those of whom I have heard nothing have (?) prefixed to their names. If any thus marked are still belonging to us, I should like to have from them some notification of the fact. If any are known to have left, the person having knowledge of that fact would confer a favor by mentioning it to me. All thus marked, of whom nothing shall be heard during the present year, will be considered as having removed, and omitted from the list.

First year, from August 1834, to Easter 1835.

Lewis R. Ashhurst,	Caspar Morris, M. D.,
Mrs. Mary Ashhurst,	Mrs. Ann C. Morris,
Charlotte M. Ashley,	Mrs. Sarah M. Oliver,
Joshua Cowpland,	Frederick W. Porter,
Mrs. Louisa Duane,	Mrs. Sarah C. Porter,
Zebulon Locke,	Mrs. Mary Stevenson,
Mrs. Harriet Locke,	Isabella C. Town.—15
Mrs. Jane Metcalf,	

Second year, from Easter 1835, to Easter 1836.

Mrs. Ann Cowpland,	John Hockley,
Mrs. Matilda Dillard,	Mrs. Catharine Hockley,
Mrs. Marinda A. Dorr,	Mrs. Ann Johnston,
William Duane,	John M ^c Garvey,

Matthew T. Miller, Mrs. Eliza Seed,
Adam Seed, Mrs. Abigail Wells.—12

Third year, from Easter 1836, to Easter 1837.

Mrs. Aletta Bispham, Paul G. Oliver,
Mrs. Mary M. Brinton, Mrs. Anna E. Price,
Elizabeth M. Hazlehurst, Samuel Potts,
Frances N. Hoopes, George B. Reese,
Mrs. Caroline Jones, Mrs. Margaret Reese,
Mrs. Ann Kirkpatrick, Dr. John J. Reese,
Jacob Leidy, Mrs. Elizabeth Spence,
(?) Mrs. Eliza Morton, Mrs. Sarah Young,
Mrs. Maria Newell, Ann Young.—18

Fourth year, from Easter 1837, to Easter 1838.

Anna B. Caldwell, Mary Ann M'Garvey,
Robert Ellis, (?) Mary Morrison,
Mrs. Margaret Ellis, Josephine L. Patullo,
Mrs. Eleanor A. Simes, Eliza Ann Randall,
(?) Cornelia Eliz. Smith, Mrs. Ann Robbins,
(?) Williamina Smith, Mary White,
Mrs. Hannah Hight, Catharine White.—14

Fifth year, from Easter 1838, to Easter 1839.

Mrs. Sophia A. Cotton, Martha Ann Jackson,
John Ellis, Elizabeth M'Allister,
Mrs. Mary P. Fisher, Mrs. Caroline Miller,
Mrs. Hannah Grasby, (?) Mrs. S. A. Montgomery,
Elizabeth Grasby, Mrs. Margaret Patullo,

Mrs. Gertrude O. Phillips, (?) Mrs. Sarah Smith,
Allin Robinett, Mary C. Sprogel.—15
Mrs. Matilda L. Robinett,

Sixth year, from Easter 1839, to Easter 1840.

(?) Eunice Anderson, John Tanguy,
Mrs. Elizabeth Bowen, William Thaw,
Mrs. Cynthia Jackson, Harriet A. Thaw,
James Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Mary Ann Wheeler.—8

Seventh year, from Easter 1840, to Easter 1841.

James T. Allen, Henrietta C. Long,
William E. Bowen, (?) Mary M'Keague,
Mrs. Rachel Bryant, Mary Ann Myles,
Jane Denmark, Mrs. Esther Neilson,
E. Matilda L. Elwyn, Mrs. Sally A. Reese,
Thomas Furey, Mrs. Margaret Reilly,
Mrs. Anna M. H. Hoskins, Mrs. Mary S. Smith,
Helen Hughes, Mrs. Marg't Weldom.—16

Eighth year, from Easter 1841, to Easter 1842.

Algernon E. Ashburner, Mrs. Harriet C. Crothers,
William H. Ashhurst, (?) Jane Ellis,
Mrs. Elizabeth K. Ashhurst, Peter Field,
Mrs. Margaretta Bird, Mrs. Margaret Field,
(?) Mrs. Mary A. Brown, Dorothea Field,
Mrs. Cornelia Clay, (?) Isabella Hagerty,
Eliza Crawford, Emily Hazlehurst,

Mary Ann Hazlett,	Mrs. Katharine A. Olmsted,
Agnes Y. M'Allister,	Mrs. Catharine Richards,
Rebecca M'Couch,	(?) Mary Jane Riddle,
Catharine M'Couch,	Mrs. Amelia W. Smith,
Martha M'Dougall,	(?) Mrs. Martha Taylor,
(?) Mary M'Garvey,	(?) Mary E. Thomas,
(?) Mrs. Sophia M'Ihenny,	Francis Wells,
(?) Amelia Morris,	Thomas Wheeler.—30

Ninth year, from Easter 1842, to Easter 1843.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ashhurst,	(?) Martha Mahaffey,
Mrs. Martha Blackiston,	(?) Jane Mahaffey,
(?) Sarah Blackiston,	(?) Mrs. Ellen M. Mayberry,
Mrs. Catharine H. Bowie,	William H. Moore,
Elizabeth Butler,	Mrs. Hannah Moore,
Catharine Butler,	Edward Olmsted,
Susan Christie,	Mrs. Annie Peace,
Joseph A. Clay,	(?) Anna Maria Peake,
Mrs. Mary Furey,	Mrs. Lydia Phillips,
David Hazel,	(?) Everina Sharp,
Mrs. Elizabeth R. Hazel,	(?) Mrs. Mary Stewart,
(?) Mrs. Ann Hunter,	Mrs. Ann Eliza Tunis,
Margaret Ann Hutchinson,	(?) Elizabeth Wallen,
Mrs. Mary A. M'Euen,	(?) Mrs. Mary Woodward,
(?) Ann M'Keague,	(?) Sarah Williams.—30

Tenth year, from Easter 1843, to Easter 1844.

Mrs. Harriet D. Allen,	(?) Mary Devor,
Agnes Boulton,	William Gibson,

Mrs. Eliza Gibson,	(?) Mrs. Jane Read,
George Harbison,	Mrs. Lavinia Reed,
Mrs. Mary Harbison,	Mrs. Harriet Richards,
Rachel Hill,	(?) Sarah Robb,
Mrs. Amelia Jennings,	Phoebe Ann Robbins,
Mrs. Caroline Jennings,	(?) Ann Jane Smith,
(?) James S. Kirkpatrick,	Mrs. Abby A. T. Van Pelt,
Catharine M'Couch,	Robert Wade,
Jane M'Mullen,	Elizabeth Westcott,
(?) Mary Montgomery,	Eliza Whitney,
William L. Newbold,	(?) Eliza Wood,
(?) Robert Nixon,	(?) Charlotte Wood.—28.
(?) Margaret Patullo,	

Eleventh year, from Easter 1844, to Easter 1845.

(?) Elvira Brown,	Mary Newell,
James Christie,	Mrs. Mary P. Norris,
Mrs. Mary Ann Donaghy,	(?) Margaret Sharp,
William A. Newbold,	(?) Elizabeth Young.—8.

Twelfth year, from Easter 1845, to Easter 1846.

Mrs. Maria E. Black,	Mrs. Rebecca Kennedy,
Vincent L. Bradford,	Thomas Kirkpatrick,
Mrs. Juliet S. Bradford,	Mrs. Jane M'Cormick,
Mary Divine,	(?) Mrs. Catharine Nixon,
(?) Rebecca Dougherty,	Mrs. Matilda Stovell,
Williamina Hoopes,	Mrs. Elizabeth Tanguy,
(?) Mary Kelly,	(?) Sarah Jane Wood.—14.

Thirteenth year, from Easter 1846, to Easter 1847.

Mrs. Mary E. B. Allibone,	(?) Matilda Kenton,
Israel M. Bissell,	James A. Kirkpatrick,
Mrs. Augusta Bissell,	Mrs. Sarah J. Kirkpatrick,
Henry L. Boulton,	Ann M'Garvey,
George Buchanan,	(?) Mrs. Jane M'Gowan,
Mrs. Jane F. T. Byrd,	Margaret M'Mullen,
(?) Mrs. Jane Clark Connor,	Mrs. Mary V. Henderson,
Charles Foster,	(?) Nancy Stewart,
Mrs. Emily M. Foster,	(?) Sarah N. West,
(?) Sarah Furey,	(?) Mrs. Jane Woolson,
(?) Elizabeth E. Gilbert,	Mrs. Amanda Wiley.—23.
Eliza M. Gray,	

Fourteenth year, from Easter 1847, to Easter 1848.

Caroline A. Batturs,	Jane M'Minn,
(?) Catharine A. Bonnar,	Ann M'Nicholl,
(?) Emma Brown,	Mary Ann Porter,
Mrs. Matilda Crothers,	George B. Reese, Jr.,
William S. Crothers,	Julia W. Rush,
(?) Mary Davis,	(?) Mary Saville,
Mary R. Gatliff,	Mrs. Catharine Shippen,
Mrs. Elizabeth A. Groome,	Ann Smyth,
Mrs. Rebecca Gumbes,	Elizabeth Smyth,
(?) David Ireland,	Charlotte M. Wetherill,
Mary Ann Kees,	Rachel P. Whetherill,
Ellen Kirkpatrick,	James Whitney.—25.
Mrs. Jane M'Henry,	

Fifteenth year, from Easter 1848, to Easter 1849.

Helen E. Ashhurst,	(?) Mrs. Anna W. Reed,
Margaret Christie,	Jacob Reese,
Catharine Davis,	George Herman Robinett,
Harriet Hockley,	Mrs. Sarah Sergeant,
Edmund Hopper,	Harriet Shaw,
Mrs. Sarah B. Hopper,	Amelia C. Smith,
Mary Maloy,	(?) Ann Smith,
Mrs. Margaret E. Martin,	Mrs. Maria Stockton,
Emma Newbold,	Mary Stockton.—18.

Sixteenth year, from Easter 1849, to Easter 1850.

James Campbell,	(?) Lydia P. Leidy,
Mrs. Rebecca Campbell,	Alicia M'Cauley,
Annie B. Campbell,	Ann Morrison,
Alice M. Campbell,	(?) Mary M. Murray,
Anna Cowpland,	(?) Mrs. Mary Stockdale.—
(?) Sarah Easton,	11.

Seventeenth year, from Easter 1850, to Easter 1851.

Benjamin Blanchard,	Ann Drake,
Mrs. Margaretta Blanchard,	Sarah B. Drake,
William Boulton,	Virginia Duane,
Martha C. Burns,	(?) William Fleming,
Maria W. Butler,	Mrs. Eliza T. Harvey,
Mrs. Annie Des Chapelles,	Augustus Heaton,
Sarah Jane Connor.	Mary A. Hindman,

Mary Hockley,	Charles E. H. Richardson,
Courtland D. Howell,	Mrs. Emel. M. Richardson,
(?) Rebecca Hutchinson,	E. Augusta Robinett,
Mrs. Martha Kells,	Mrs. Margaret Spence,
Mrs. Eliza A. McCrudden,	William Spence,
J. Cheston Morris, M. D.	Harriet M. Stockton,
Mary H. Morris,	Emily Wells,
Helen Newbold,	Charles Wheeler,
Emma Newell,	Elizabeth J. Wheeler,
(?) Martha Reed,	Ellen B. Wheeler.—34.

Eighteenth year, from Easter 1851, to Easter 1852.

Elizabeth Bissell,	Elizabeth Holbrook,
Pierce Butler,	Mrs. Louisa Holliday,
Sarah Butler,	Mrs. Elvina Howell,
Ann Campbell,	Alexander Kirkpatrick,
(?) Catharine Campbell,	(?) Ann Kirkpatrick,
(?) Rebecca Campbell,	(?) Margaret Kirkpatrick,
George C. Cardwell,	(?) Mary Kirkpatrick,
Mrs. Margaret R. Cardwell,	Mrs. Ann Leonard,
(?) Adelaide L. Clark.	Samuel Leonard,
Mrs. Caroline L. Dupuy,	Mary J. McNicholl,
Mrs. Jane C. Edwards,	Henry M. Murray,
Samuel Edwards,	Mrs. Clara Nisbet,
Caroline A. Filley,	Clarissa Nisbet,
Edmund H. Frishmuth,	(?) Patrick Nugent,
Mrs. Harriet Frishmuth,	(?) Mrs. Rebecca Oliver,
(?) Mrs. Helen Hammond,	(?) James S. Palmer,

Mary A. Potts,	John C. Sims,
Amanda Saville,	Virginia G. Smith,
William Silcox,	Catharine Van Pelt,
Mrs. Emeline M. Sims,	Mrs. Sarah B. Young.—40.

Nineteenth year, from Easter 1852, to Easter 1853.

Lloyd Bankson,	George W. North,
Mrs. Salome W. Bankson,	Mrs. Martha Notman,
Mrs. Mary A. Berrien,	Mrs. Caroline F. Okie,
John Biddle,	Mary G. Okie,
Mrs. Mary F. Biddle,	John B. Okie,
Mrs. Elizabeth Buchanan,	Mrs. Anna M. Powers,
Jane F. Campbell,	Thomas H. Powers,
Mrs. Mary Clay,	Wm. Lex. Rehn,
Mrs. Mary Diver,	Mrs. Jane C. Ritchie,
Nancy Wharton Fisher,	Mrs. Isabella Ryan,
Ann Gillespie,	Margaret Ann Spence,
Mrs. Adelia C. Hartshorne,	Lucy Thomas,
Dr. Edward Hartshorne,	William Wells,
Maria C. Hutton,	Joseph Whethan,
Ellen McCleary,	Mrs. Mary Ann Woods,
Jane McGowen,	Ann Jane Young,
Mrs. Elizabeth McMurtrie,	William S. Young.—35.
Mrs. Catharine M. North,	

Twentieth year, from Easter 1853, to Easter 1854.

Fanny Bain,	Robert T. Conrad,
Mary Y. Brinton,	Mrs. Augusta E. Davis,

(?) J. Alfred Eisenbrey,	Galloway C. Morris,
Maria B. Harbison,	Fanny J. Oliver,
(?) Ellen D. Harper,	Mrs. Emma H. Reath,
Catharine Hood,	Julia Stockton,
Mrs. Harriet D. Jones,	Elizabeth C. Stovell,
Margaret Kees,	Ellen Thomas,
Hugh Kirkpatrick,	Virginia Troutman,
Jane C. McMullen,	Anderson M. Wylie.—20.

Reported by themselves, as belonging previous to Easter, 1854, though not recorded in the Parish Register.

Mrs. Sallie Ashburner,	Elizabeth Hendrickson,
Mrs. Margaret Barclay,	Mrs. Sarah F. Key,
Esther M. Bolster,	Eliza Jane Kirkpatrick,
George J. Bolster,	Mrs. Mary K. Lipsett,
Mrs. Eliza Brooks,	Matilda H. Locke,
Louisa Bryant,	Mrs. Eliza McFadden,
Mrs. Mary R. Dupuy,	Mary McHenry,
Emma L. Dupuy,	Mrs. Louisa McIlvaine,
Clara A. Dupuy,	Sally H. Nekervis,
Mrs. Anna Duffy,	William Nyce,
Mrs. Mary A. Ellis,	Mrs. Anna Nyce,
Mrs. Anna P. Ford,	Mrs. Lucy A. Parrish,
Sarah J. Fossett,	Mrs. Ruth Anna Potts,
Mrs. Catharine M. Gambell,	Mrs. Judith Quayle,
Elizabeth D. Graham.	Mrs. Rachel J. Rhoads,

Mrs. Eliza Rush,	Mary Wilson,
Evans A. Shippen,	Mrs. Jane C. Yohe.—36.
Thomas Weldom,	

Admitted during the past year,	-	-	56
Whole number, so far as ascertained,	-	-	505

TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Sunday-Schools of the Church of the Epiphany.

JANUARY, 1855.

THE last annual report of the Association was presented under circumstances of peculiar trial. The greatly honored and beloved pastor of this Church was then absent, and weighed down by mortal sickness. It has pleased God that the stroke then threatened should be allowed to fall, in all its force, upon that shepherd's family and flock. And, though many months have now elapsed since he was taken to "a better country,—that is, an heavenly," and received into the companionship of "the spirits of the just made perfect," yet this occasion must not be allowed to pass without a grateful testimony to the affectionate interest which he ever felt in the school, and to his faithful labors and "fervent, effectual prayers" in its behalf. To these, chiefly, are we indebted for the increased comfort and convenience of the accommodations for our school, both in the rooms for instruction and in the house of God. These improvements he was not allowed to enjoy or look upon. "And herein is that scripture fulfilled, that one hath labored, and another hath

entered into his labors." May a double portion of his spirit rest upon those whom he has left behind him in this work! The wisdom of these plans has been fully verified by the result. Our schools are now as comfortably and conveniently accommodated as any school in a basement well can be. And, as a whole, the arrangements of very few schools in the country are equal to them.

But, while gaining this increase of convenience, we have necessarily suffered in another way. During the long period for which the schools were closed for the sake of these alterations, many of the children wandered elsewhere, and we have not, up to this time, been able to reach the number which we had before. Indeed, it is doubtful whether we can ever expect to have many more than our present number. Much as the population of this section of our city has increased of late years, the growth of Sunday-school and Church accommodation has been also great. Instead of being, as formerly, the outpost, we are now quite in the centre. We are now surrounded by the residences of the middling classes and of the wealthy. And the poor, our former neighbors, have been driven to a distance, and now find other schools as near to them as ours once was. We can never expect to regain our former relation to them, nor to have any larger proportion of scholars whose parents are not connected with this Church.

We must be contented here with educating the children of our own congregation. And if we would still be a blessing, as formerly, to large numbers who "have no man to care for their souls," we must follow their receding habitations, and open, at a distance from us, such branch schools as we once conducted. A better time than the present can hardly be found for such an undertaking.

Our numbers at present are as follows :

Male Department.

				Teachers.	Scholars.
Bible Class	-	-	-	1	12
Intermediate School	-	-	-	25	181
1st Infant Class	-	-	-		31
2d " "	-	-	-	1	53
				<hr/> 27	<hr/> 277

Female Department.

				Teachers.	Scholars.
1st Bible Class	-	-	-	1	24
2d " "	-	-	-	1	30
Intermediate School	-	-	-	30	246
1st Infant Class	-	-	-	1	70
				<hr/> 33	<hr/> 370

Total, 60 teachers and 647 scholars.

It may not be uninteresting to compare this number with those of past years :

		Teachers	Scholars.
Our first year ended with		25	214
2d	"	38	307
3d	"	46	436
4th	"	49	475
5th	"	49	480
6th	"	50	500
7th	"	63	563
8th	"	63	604
9th	"	80	804 (Branch)
10th	"	74	798
11th	"	72	732
12th	"	74	813 (Branch)
13th	"	75	772
14th	"	71	753
15th	"	69	789
16th	"	68	784
17th	"	69	732
18th	"	67	736
19th	"	58	660
20th	"	60	647

The two years in which the number of scholars overran 800, branch schools were in operation ; in the first instance numbering 202 scholars, and in the second, 40 boys only.

During the year we have lost the services of 13 teachers ; 18 others have come in to take their place. Among those whom we have lost, the Superintendent

ent of the Female School particularly mentions and laments "*one*, for nearly twenty years diligently and regularly occupied as a teacher, and, in all that time, associated with every circumstance of interest occurring in the school. Always active, efficient, and untiring in every work and labor of love connected with the prosperity of the School, or of the Church, Miss Walker will long be missed from her accustomed place among us, and her removal from our city, greatly regretted." Such losses must at times occur;—we have fewer to mourn than most. The Superintendent of our Male School has now completed twenty years of labor at his post. The Superintendent of the Female School has occupied hers nineteen; the teacher of the Female Infant Class also, nineteen. And of the other teachers, 12 have been with us over five years, 10 over ten, 2 over fifteen, 4 over twenty. We have in this, not the least of our many calls for gratitude to God. May they all be still spared to us for many years to come, and, without any weariness in well-doing, have the heart to use their riper experience in the same work of guiding the young to Christ.

The missionary contributions of the year have been

From the Male Department,	\$125 00
" Female "	258 16
Total	<hr/> \$383 16

While we have no increase of numbers to tell of, we are able to record, with thankfulness, a decided improvement in the order and attentiveness of the scholars. This was specially observable on the occasion of our Anniversary. It is the universal testimony that we never had one which the children seemed to enjoy more, and in which they appeared to better advantage. They were orderly and still in a remarkable degree; and sang their beautiful hymns, printed for the occasion as of old, with most animating fervor. The Rector preached on 2 Tim. iii. 15. After the sermon, books were distributed to all the scholars.

Nor have we been without some measure of spiritual blessing. About twelve of our scholars, chiefly from the Bible classes, are expected to confess the faith of Christ crucified at our approaching confirmation. This is a great theme for thanksgiving;—though it also affords matter for searching self-scrutiny. Why are there no more? Have we preached Christ plainly to these children during the year? Have we earnestly prayed for them in secret, and gone from our closets to the school-room, and from the school-room again to our closets in their behalf? Let us "in the morning sow our seed, and in the evening withhold not our hand;" ever remembering that as God alone can give the increase, so He has determined that He "will be inquired of by us for

this thing, to do it for us." It would be calculated to effect great good if the teachers would, from time to time, ask a scholar to remain after school, and then speak earnestly and affectionately to such an one about the salvation of the soul.

Praying that God may bless us all more abundantly with the gift of His Holy spirit, I am

Your friend and servant in Christ,

DUDLEY A. TYNG.

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Parish School Association of the Church of the Epiphany.

THE Managers of the Parish School Association desire to present to their friends a brief history of the schools under their care during the past year. They have to regret the resignation of several valued members from their number; and by the removal of Miss Walker from the city, they were deprived of her very efficient services as a member of their most important committee.

At the close of January, Miss Seed resigned her situation, as teacher of the principal school, which she had so faithfully filled since its first opening. Her services had given great satisfaction to the Managers, and they were obliged reluctantly to consent to her departure to another field of labor, where they trust her usefulness may continue and increase. Some change in the arrangements of the schools being then necessary, it was decided to advance Miss Holcraft, from the charge of the Infant department, to the supervision of both schools, and to engage her younger sister as an assistant, to have chiefly the care of the small children.

At the same time it was proposed, owing to the deficiency in the receipts from the scholars, to make the salary of the principal teacher, the same as at the beginning, two hundred and fifty dollars, and also to reduce the salary of the assistant teacher.

This new arrangement was effected and entered upon immediately. The Managers have only to express their entire satisfaction with the order and discipline of the school, as at present conducted, and their thankfulness that a change of teachers, which they had so much deplored in prospect, has not proved, as yet, in the least degree injurious to the interests of the schools.

As regards the number of pupils, there is a decrease in the past year. At the last Annual Report 100 children were members of the schools; at present there are in the Infant, 40, and in the larger school, 43; in all, 83. This decrease is partly owing to the dismissal of the larger boys, as it was thought their behavior made them too troublesome to the teacher, to permit their continuance in the school. The Managers, however, felt disappointed that the parents in many families, particularly those connected with our Sunday-school, have not seemed to appreciate the privileges afforded to their children in the Parish School. Not only are the moral and religious advantages far greater than those enjoyed in the common schools of our city, but the shelter

and protection of the children from many evil associations and corrupting influences, should be more deeply and sensibly felt by the parents. Added to these things, the instruction in sewing, so valuable to girls, combined with the enforcement of habits of neatness and order, might have been expected to enlist the feelings and sympathies of all parents, in the success of the School.

The Managers feel that, with reference to the co-operation of parents in their work, their expectations have not been realized. Even in regard to sewing, to which much attention has been given, and where, if a girl is successful, she has really acquired a trade upon which she may depend for support in future life, in addition to increasing greatly the comforts of her own family connections, there seems much indifference on the part of parents. To this cause, also, is no doubt chiefly owing the irregularity in the attendance of the children, especially the larger girls. As they are not dismissed for this cause, as from the public schools, advantage is taken of this lenity to keep them from school whenever even trivial causes may seem to require their presence at home.

This, of course, lessens the amount of their improvement, and also the receipts of our Treasurer; as the small sum paid weekly for their instruction, in cases of absence for many days is omitted altogether.

Another hinderance to the success of our school, arises from the constant changes taking place among the children. Of those who are now scholars, nearly three-fourths have been admitted in the past seven months, so that an almost entire change has taken place during that time; and, of course, we are unable to see as we desire, the fruits of the efforts made to benefit the children.

Of the scholars now composing the School, eighteen are on scholarships; five dollars for the tuition of each, for one year, being paid by some member of the congregation. From the remainder the amount received should be ten cents per week, yet it averages only about four dollars and twenty-five cents. From this it will be seen that the attendance is irregular, and that it is not always easy to enforce the payment of the small sum mentioned above. The state of the funds upon which the Schools depend for their support, will be seen in the account of the Treasurer which accompanies this Report.

Notwithstanding these facts, the Managers are thankful for the portion of success which has attended their humble efforts in this cause. The children appear interested and happy in the Schools, and a general improvement is manifest in every particular. Some quite commendable compositions have been written by the elder girls lately, and in

the neatness and excellence of their sewing they have much improved.

The School has been regularly visited and addressed, by the Rev. Mr. Thrall, on every Friday afternoon, and he has expressed satisfaction with the attention and order of the children. His plan has been to select some portion of the Scripture for the occasion, and combine catechetical with very pointed and practical instruction from the passage.

The Managers feel much indebted to him for this service; they believe it useful and interesting to the children. The School is always opened with reading the Scriptures and prayer, and closed with singing, or by the children repeating the commandments.

The Managers desire to be reminded, by these statements of the operations of the past year, of their own exceeding unfaithfulness and want of diligence in their work, and to pray that the blessing bestowed upon these children may not be in proportion to their deserving, but limited only by the free and almighty grace of Him who died for lost sinners, and who ever liveth to make intercession for us at the right hand of God.

April 2d, 1855.

TREASURER'S REPORT
OF THE
PARISH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

DR.

April, 1854.	26 Scholarships	-	-	\$130 00
	Annual Subscriptions	-		106 00
	Donation from the Vestry	-		50 00
	Tuition money	-	-	223 79
April 1, 1855.				<u>\$509 79</u>

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April, 1854.	Paid Balance due Treasurer	\$18 92
	Books and Stationery	- 31 55
	Teachers' Salaries	- 475 02
	Cleaning School-rooms	- 33 00
April, 1855.		<u>\$558 49</u>
		509 79
	Balance due Treasurer	- <u>\$48 70</u>

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE

Dorcas Society of the Church of the Epiphany.

THE average attendance at the meetings of our Society during the past season, has been about twenty-six, although the number of names enrolled is forty-five. We have been much encouraged by the addition of several efficient ladies of the congregation as members of our Society, and hope, when we re-assemble, to welcome many more. The number of garments distributed during the winter has been about one thousand and fifty,—a much larger number than during any previous season.

The great inclemency of the weather, and the high price of every kind of provisions, have compelled many to seek aid from us who have never done so until the past winter; so that, although the principal part of our labor has been for the children of the Sunday-school, many adults have also been assisted.

The Treasurer's receipts have been,

By Subscription	-	-	-	\$80 50
Donations	-	-	-	326 75
Total	-	-	-	<u>\$407 25</u>

Amount paid for work	-	-	\$85 67
" " materials	-	-	321 58
			<hr/> \$407 25

EMILY WELLS,
Secretary.

March, 1855.

REPORT
OF THE
LADIES' SEWING SOCIETY
OF THE
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

THE labors of this Society during the past year have been directed, as heretofore, to the support of our Missionary Bishop in Africa. It numbers twenty-nine members, of whom there has been an average attendance of eleven. The number of articles made of materials furnished by the Society is 155; of articles received as donations, 174. Its usual semi-annual Sales have been held; one in April, the other in December. At the last Sale a table was supplied by contributions from the Girls' Sunday-school, the proceeds of which amounted to \$26 00.

The Treasurer reports as follows:

Dr.				
Balance from last year	-	-	-	\$11 40
Amount received from Sales	-	-	-	353 78
Subscriptions and Donations	-	-	-	24 75
				<hr/> \$389 93

	Cr.	
Cash paid to African Mission	- -	\$275 00
Materials for work	- - -	88 81
Balance on hand	- - -	26 12
		<hr/>
		\$389 93

March 29th, 1855.

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT
OF
THE BIBLE SOCIETY
OF THE
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,

Auxiliary to the Female Bible Society of Philadelphia.

Another year of auxiliary effort has expired, and we are called upon to give an account of our stewardship. This we do with grateful acknowledgments to Him who, notwithstanding our many discouragements, has so greatly prospered our endeavors to spread abroad his Holy Word.

Subsequent to our last meeting two of our Managers have resigned, from ill health, and a third has been prevented, by the same cause, from active participation in the duties of the Society. These vacancies have been supplied from our own body, and by other ladies interested in this work, to whom we present our thanks for their valuable assistance.

From various causes, many of our Managers postponed collecting until late in the winter, when the repeated calls for aid to the poor, consequent upon the unusual severity of the season, and the numerous appeals for the various objects of Christian benevolence, obliged many of our subscribers to reduce their subscriptions, and others to decline contributing.

On the other hand, several new subscribers have been obtained, through the activity and perseverance of our Managers, and "the poor of this world, *rich in faith*," have given so freely and liberally that we have been enabled to present to the parent society a larger amount than in the previous year. In one instance, a poor woman gave us twenty-five cents, with tears in her eyes, saying, "In better times, I would not offer you such a trifle." Another, who who has been greatly reduced this winter in her outward circumstances, doubled her subscription, and another promised to do so next year.

These are gratifying proofs of love of God's Word and interest in its promulgation.

We have distributed this year, eight English Bibles, three German, and six Testaments; in all, seventeen. And have received, in subscriptions and donations, \$179 00; to which we add \$1 25, from the sale of a Bible and Testament, making an aggregate of \$180 25.

The increase in our receipts, though small, has exceeded our expectations, under the peculiar discouragements of the past season, and should lead us, not only to renewed exertion, but to more earnest prayer for God's blessing upon our labors.

CORNELIA CLAY.

April 11th, 1855.

BENEVOLENT OPERATIONS.

The various collections of the past year are thus stated in the account of Mr. Z. Locke, the Parish Treasurer.

Receipts.

Ladies' Sewing Society for Africa	-	-	\$275 00
Sunday-schools	"	"	250 00
" for Education of boy, named S. H. Tyng, in Africa			
	-	-	20 00
Sunday-schools, from Male Bible Class, for Africa	-	-	27 44
Ladies' Society for the Jews	-	-	100 00
Collection on Thanksgiving-day for the Seminary, Va.	-	-	310 00
Collection on Thanksgiving-day for Episcopal Hospital	-	-	50 00
Collection for the Poor,—one-half	-	-	200 00
Donations and Collections for various purposes	-	-	237 59
Donations for Northern Home for destitute children	-	-	100 00
Donations for Young Men's Central Mission	-	-	56 00
Donations for Rev. Wm. F. Bryant, at Mullica Hill, N. J.	-	-	38 00
Collected from Subscriptions	-	-	2388 99
Balance due Treasurer	-	-	42 69

\$4095 71

Paid by order from the Vestry.

To Foreign Committee for Salary of Bp. and Mrs. Payne, in Africa	-	\$750 00
Do. for support of a Boy, named S. H. Tyng, in Africa	-	20 00
Do. for China Mission	-	50 00
To annual payment for the support of the Episcopate	-	150 00
For Convention expenses	-	50 00
To Am. Bible Society	-	75 00
To Treasurer of Sunday-schools of the Church of the Epiphany	-	300 00
To Am. Sunday-school Union	-	115 00
For Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum	-	25 00
To Mr. M ^c Paul, Colporteur	-	50 00
To Church of the Messiah, Port Richmond	-	25 00
To Emanuel Church, Kensington	-	50 00
To Rev. T. G. Allen, City Missionary	-	50 00
Do. Wm. H. Good	-	115 00
Do. Wm. F. Bryant, Mullica Hill, N. J.	-	75 00
Do. C. B. Stout, Waukesha, Wis.	-	25 00
Do. S. W. Hallowell, Pemberton, N. J.	-	25 00
Do. A. B. Hard, Delaware Co.	-	50 00
Do. Geo. Kirke, Downingtown, Pa.	-	50 00
To Diocesan Missionary Society, for Rev. J. G. Furey	-	100 00
To Seamen's Friend Society	-	25 00
To Bishop White Prayer-book Society	-	25 00

To Evangelical Knowledge Society	-	120 00
To Episcopal Hospital	-	100 00
To Theological Seminary, of Va.	-	310 00
To Parish School	-	50 00
To Committee for the Poor	-	200 00
To Northern Home for destitute children	-	100 00
To Young Men's Central Mission	-	56 00
To Parish Missionary	-	775 00
To London Jews' Society	-	100 00
To Balance due Treasurer from last year	-	84 71
		<hr/> \$4095 71 <hr/>

You will thus perceive that during the past year there have been disbursed,

Through the Parish Treasurer	-	\$3728 02
Through the Parish School Association	-	588 49
Through the Dorcas Society	-	407 25
Through the Ladies' Sewing Society	-	389 93
Through the Bible Society	-	180 25

To these may be added \$981 72, which have passed through the hands of the Rector as alms for the poor; *three hundred and sixteen dollars* privately collected by the Agent of the American Tract Society; *three hundred dollars* collected by the Rev. Mr. Dunn for the church in Lockhart, Texas;

\$30 for the Poor Fund for the charities of the P. E. Brotherhood; and a private contribution through the Rector of \$20 to the church at Mont Alto, Franklin county, and \$10 for the Parsonage of St. Luke's, Scranton, Luzerne county, Penn.: making in all \$6,951 66, contributed for the Lord's sake by this congregation.

During this year has also been completed the subscription to the Sinking Fund for removing the debt upon the church. This Fund, when a few subscriptions now due are paid, will amount to \$26,000; and will soon entirely relieve the corporation of its formerly oppressive debt.

There are now rented, in whole or in part, *one hundred and fifty-two* pews upon the floor, and *forty-nine* in the galleries. The remaining pews in the gallery are usually filled by those who are strangers or unable to pay for sittings. The congregation has steadily increased during the past year; and has now reached a size which renders it impossible for me, while attending to the duties of the pulpit, and visiting those in sickness and affliction, to see its various families with the frequency and informality which I should desire. To many I may have seemed neglectful, or insensible to kind attention, when it was owing solely to the physical impossibility of accomplishing more than was already being done. In order to attain what has been accomplished, it has

been necessary to be very systematic in the distribution of time. For the sake of opportunity for study, all calls in the morning have been declined, and the afternoon devoted to visiting. Monday afternoons, and the hour from three to four, P. M., on other days, have been reserved for the convenience of those desirous of seeing me at my residence. This arrangement will still be continued.

It may be proper to allude here to the music of the sanctuary. For many months the organ has been undergoing very extensive and thorough repairs. It will be again ready for use in June, and will, then, it is supposed, be an instrument in every way worthy of the church. With the approbation of the Vestry, the experiment is being tried of a return to the old system of congregational singing. It is now about five and twenty or thirty years since choirs began to be introduced into churches for the conducting of the music. It was supposed that they would support and improve the congregation in singing the praises of the Lord. They have been found, however, to result in the decline of congregational singing, and the giving up of that part of public worship almost wholly to the choir. The desire for new tunes and chants, natural to those who devote much time to the culture and gratification of musical taste, led to such frequent changes as to discourage the members of the congregation

from singing. And the separation of the choir from the people threw a difficulty in the way of their singing together. It has thus come to be considered as the duty of the choir alone to sing; and the people, instead of obeying the inspired invitation contained in our service, "O come, let us sing unto the Lord, let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation: let us come into his presence with thanksgiving, and show ourselves glad in him with psalms," have learned to be silent auditors of a band of performers who either, by the artistic skill of their performances, turn the praises of Jehovah into the gratifications of the concert-room, or by want of time and tune, jar and distract the feelings of all who have any musical sensibility. Instead of being the *worship of God* by the congregation, the praises of the sanctuary have become, for the most part, merely the gratification or the annoyance of the senses. Volunteer choirs, moreover, have not been found to work well. Deficient in punctuality, subject to frequent changes, and composed often of light-minded persons, they gave satisfaction neither by their singing nor behavior. Through necessity, and with sore reluctance on the part of many, a remedy has been generally sought in choirs of hired singers. It has only consummated the evil which led to it. Harmony of voices and diminution of expense required small choirs. The smaller the choir,

the more difficult it became for the people to sing with them. Divergence on the wrong track necessarily became greater and greater. The false principle of making artistic skill rather than universal devotion the great object in church music, required more and more the sacrifice of the idea of public worship to the improvement of the performance. If singers must be hired, the best musicians must have the preference. Personal character can be little regarded. Church singing has thus become a mere trade. And congregations of Christians employ to sing the praises of Jehovah, in their stead, men and women utterly destitute of religious, and sometimes, it is to be feared, even of moral character. The same persons sing in the synagogue of Satan through the week, and in the temple of the Lord on the Sabbath. And sometimes it is announced that a *prima donna* has been engaged for a fashionable congregation; sometimes that a "full church choir" is to sing at the harlequining of "Pilgrim's Progress" upon the stage. What a smoke in the nostrils of Jehovah must such a system be! Would it be any worse to employ similar persons to conduct also the *prayers* of the congregation? No wonder that the devotional effect of church music should be gone! How could it be otherwise?

The natural consequence of this now almost universal demand for professional singers in churches,

is the increased prices which have to be paid for their services. The *praises* of the sanctuary have now become one of its heaviest items of expense. In some churches the sums paid for the music are more than the salary of the clergyman. In others, more than the missionary contributions. A really good choir, that is, one of real music ability, can scarcely be had for less than \$2000 per annum. The system, as it now works, is crippling the resources, and absorbing the benevolent contributions of many of our churches. I cannot but think this a rod in the hand of God to drive back his people to more correct sentiments and practice. It is certainly extensively having that effect. A desire of returning to congregational singing now begins, in many quarters, to manifest itself. And many are watching with great sympathy and interest the experiment which is now being made among ourselves.

Prompted by a desire to reclaim the public praises of God from a mere performance, better or worse, to a heart-felt and general devotion, and knowing the impossibility of doing so while the services of a choir were retained, the attempt has been made to return to the system in general use prior to the origin of choirs. The whole responsibility of the singing is thrown upon the congregation. An organist and a leader are the only ones employed. The latter sits in the body of the church to guide

the voices of the people. Already a great improvement is perceptible in the number who participate in the singing, and in its devotional effect. With further practice, and the assistance of the organ, the improvement will no doubt be still greater. A few weeks more of the practising on Friday evening after the Prayer-meeting, will enable us to undertake the chants. A small collection of chants and tunes is being printed in a shape to be bound up with the Psalms and Hymns. When that is in the hands of all the members of the congregation who have any knowledge of music, it is hoped that the singing of the church can be conducted to the satisfaction of every one who desires therein to worship God. I have spoken fully on this subject, as this report gives so excellent an opportunity of explicitly and permanently stating the views and motives which have led to the change.

During the past year a beautiful mural tablet, in memory of the Rev. Mr. Fowles, has been placed in the church; and a granite obelisk is about being erected over his remains in the yard. Such evidence of faithful remembrance of a departed pastor cannot but be grateful and encouraging to the one called upon to take up the burden from which he has been released. Longer than these tables of stone can endure, may his faithful preaching and holy example be written in the fleshly tables of your

hearts, and bring forth fruit of eternal life to the glory of God!

Upon the whole, it must be gratefully acknowledged that the church is in a very flourishing condition. Though the year past has been to me one of labor beyond all previous experience, yet "the good hand of my God upon me," has brought me safely and happily to its end. And though the anticipations of toil and care, with which a year ago I came as a pastor among those who had "known my manner of life from my youth," have been more than realized, yet such have been the cordiality and consideration on the part of the people, as to make me, notwithstanding, "thank God, and take courage." May the year to come be one of richer blessing to us all! And if we should be spared to reach its close, may there be less occasion of self-reproach for negligence in our Master's work.

Your friend and servant in Christ,

DUDLEY A. TYNG.

May 1, 1855.

TWENTY-SECOND
PASTORAL REPORT
OF THE
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,
PHILADELPHIA.

PRESENTED TO THE CONGREGATION AT

Easter, March 23, 1856.

BY
THE RECTOR.



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NOTICE.

This is the twenty-second of an annual series to be printed alike and presented to the congregation at Easter in every year. If they are preserved, each member of the congregation will have a complete history of the Church from its commencement.

The following named gentlemen compose the Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, elected on Easter-Monday, March 24, 1856.

LEWIS R. ASHHURST,	} <i>Church Wardens.</i>
PIERCE BUTLER,	
CASPAR MORRIS,	
GEORGE B. REESE,	
ZEBULON LOCKE,	
ALLIN ROBINETT,	
JOSHUA COWPLAND,	
EDWARD OLMSTED,	
JOHN J. REESE,	
AUGUSTUS R. HEATON,	
ALGERNON E. ASHBURNER,	
GEORGE W. NORTH.	

Sexton.

JACOB LEIDY.

Assistant Sexton.

GEORGE BUCHANAN.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

EASTER, 1856.

IN presenting the twenty-second Annual Report to the congregation of the Church of the Epiphany, the Rector would gratefully acknowledge the kind Providence which permits him a second time thus to address them. Short and uncertain as our time on earth is, no annual epoch should be allowed to pass without thankful commemoration of the past, and solemn reflection on the unknown character of the future. And in thus rendering an account of my stewardship, to those over whom the Holy Ghost has made me overseer, I would call upon myself, and them, seriously to remember that higher account which we must all give of ourselves at the judgment seat of Christ. Judgment and mercy will be found mingled in the Lord's dealings with us during the past, and penitential confession should unite with thankful adoration in its customary review.

Your attention is first called to the statistics of the year.

MARRIAGES.

Since last Easter *seven* marriages have been solemnized by the Rector, and *six* by other clergy.

BAPTISMS.

Baptized by the Rector, *thirty-two* Infants, *eight* Adults ; by Rev. Mr. Thrall, *three* Infants.

FUNERALS.

The Rector has attended *ten* funerals ; the Rev. Mr. Thrall, *eleven*. In all, *twenty-one*.

CONFIRMATIONS.

On the night of Wednesday, May 9th, 1855, the Right Rev. Alonzo Potter confirmed the following *fourteen* persons :

J. Livingston Reese,	Mary Simes,
Mary Cook,	Frances I. Dupuy,
Mrs. Mary S. Cole,	Richard Dawson,
Mrs. Rebecca Staley,	Isaac Moreton Ford,
Eleanor A. Barrington,	Susan M. Richards,
Margaret Gilmore,	Sarah B. Pitkin,
Mrs. Ann McDonald.	Annie M. Wheeler.

On Sunday, March 9th, 1856, there was confirmed, in St. Luke's Church, by the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, of Delaware,

William E. Weatherly.

On the night of Wednesday, April 9th, 1856, the

Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, of Delaware, confirmed *twenty-five*. These, though not confirmed until *after* Easter, are, nevertheless, more properly included in the gatherings of the past year, than of that on which we have now entered. They were as follows :

John P. Rhoads,	Mrs. Lucy M. Whetham,
Joseph E. Brown,	Mrs. Ann McCleary,
D. C. Wharton Smith,	Mrs. Eliza Nagle,
H. Heber Bull,	Rebecca Donaghy,
Wm. John Spence,	Sally M. Morris,
W. Henry Reese,	Emily Boulton,
Bernardo W. Boulton,	Jane Nagle,
Peter Dinzey,	Caroline Stockton,
Josephine P. Anderson,	Joanna M. Reese,
Gertrude A. Clarkson,	Henrietta K. Angell,
Maria Evans,	Laura Denby,
Mary Wheeler,	Matilda McCullough.
Nannie Cheston,	

Confirmed, in all, *forty*.

Besides these, on the last occasion there were confirmed, from St. Michael's Church, Trenton, N. J., Charles H. Wevill, James C. Deacon.

COMMUNICANTS.

During the year, *six* communicants have died, and *twenty-one* have removed ; making a loss of *twenty-seven*. Of those marked (?) in the last report

twenty-three had either died or removed. Those of whom no definite information could be obtained, are still thus marked, in hopes that the Rector may yet be able to hear of them. *Fifty-nine* additional communicants have been received during the year; *twenty-one* from other churches, and *thirty-eight* on profession of faith in Christ. The present number, is *five hundred and twelve*.

First year, from August 1834, to Easter 1835.

Lewis R. Ashhurst,	Mrs. Jane Metcalf,
Mrs. Mary Ashhurst,	Caspar Morris, M. D.,
Charlotte M. Ashley,	Mrs. Ann C. Morris,
Joshua Cowpland,	Mrs. Sarah M. Oliver,
Mrs. Louisa Duane,	Frederick W. Porter,
Zebulon Locke,	Mrs. Sarah C. Porter,
Mrs. Harriet Locke,	Mrs. Mary Stevenson,
Ann McNicholl,	Isabella C. Town.—16.

Second year, from Easter 1835, to Easter 1836.

Mrs. Ann Cowpland,	Mrs. Ann Johnston,
Mrs. Matilda Dillard,	John M'Garvey,
Mrs. Marinda A. Dorr,	Matthew T. Miller,
William Duane,	Adam Seed,
John Hockley,	Mrs. Eliza Seed,
Mrs. Catharine Hockley,	Mrs. Abigail Wells.—12.

Third year, from Easter 1836, to Easter 1837.

Mrs. Aletta Bispham,	Mrs. Mary M. Brinton,
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Elizabeth M. Hazlehurst,	Mrs. Ann E. Price,
Frances N. Hoope,	Samuel Potts,
Mrs. Caroline Jones,	George B. Reese,
Mrs. Ann Kirkpatrick,	Mrs. Margaret Reese,
Jacob Leidy,	Dr. John J. Reese,
Mrs. Eliza Morton,	Mrs. Elizabeth Spence,
Mrs. Maria Newell,	Mrs. Sarah Young,
Paul G. Oliver,	Ann Young,—18.

Fourth year, from Easter 1837, to Easter 1838.

Anna B. Caldwell,	Eliza Ann Randall,
Robert Ellis,	Mrs. Ann Robbins,
Mrs. Margaret Ellis,	Mrs. Eleanor A. Simes,
Mrs. Hannah Hight,	(?) Cornelia Eliz. Smith,
Mary Ann M'Garvey,	(?) Williamina Smith,
Mary Morrison,	Mary White,
Josephine L. Patullo,	Catharine White—14.

Fifth year, from Easter 1838, to Easter 1839.

Mrs. Sophia A. Cotton,	Mrs. Caroline Miller,
John Ellis,	Mrs. Margaret Patullo,
Mrs. Mary P. Fisher,	Mrs. Gertrude O. Phillips,
Elizabeth Grasby,	Allin Robinett,
Martha Ann Jackson,	Mrs. Matilda L. Robinett,
Elizabeth M'Allister,	Mary C. Sprogell.—12.

Sixth year, from Easter 1839, to Easter 1840.

(?) Eunice Anderson,	Mrs. Cynthia Jackson,
Mrs. Elizabeth Bowen,	James Kirkpatrick,

John Tanguy, Harriet A. Thaw.
William Thaw, Mrs. Mary Ann Wheeler-8.

Seventh year, from Easter 1840, to Easter 1841.

William E. Bowen, Mary M'Keague,
Mrs. Rachel Bryant, Mary Ann Myles,
Jane Denmark, Mrs. Esther Neilson,
E. Matilda L. Elwyn, Mrs. Sally A. Reese,
Thomas Furey, Mrs. Margaret Reilly,
Mrs. Anna M. H. Hoskins, Mrs. Mary S. Smith,
Helen Hughes, Mrs. Marg't Weldom.—15.
Henrietta C. Long,

Eighth year, from Easter 1841, to Easter 1842.

Algernon E. Ashburner, Agnes Y. M'Allister,
William H. Ashhurst, Rebecca M'Couch,
Mrs. Elizb'h K. Ashhurst, Catharine M'Couch,
Mrs. Margaretta Bird, Martha M'Dougall,
Mrs. Cornelia Clay, (?) Mary M'Garvey,
Eliza Crawford, (?) Amelia Morris,
Mrs. Harriet C. Crothers, Mrs. Katharine A. Olmsted,
Jane Ellis, Mrs. Catharine Richards,
Peter Field, (?) Mary Jane Riddle,
Mrs. Margaret Field, Mrs. Amelia W. Smith,
Dorothea Field, (?) Mrs. Martha Taylor,
Isabella Hagerty, Mrs. Mary E. Thomas,
Emily Hazlehurst, Francis Wells,
Mary Ann Hazlett, Thomas Wheeler.—28.

Ninth year, from Easter 1842, to Easter 1843.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ashhurst, Mrs. Mary A. M'Euen,
Mrs. Sarah Ashburner, Ann M'Keague,
Mrs. Martha Blackiston, William H. Moore,
Mrs. Catharine H. Bowie, Mrs. Hannah Moore,
Elizabeth Butler, Edward Olmsted,
Catharine Butler, Mrs. Annie Peace,
Susan Christie, (?) Anna Maria Peake,
Joseph A. Clay, Mrs. Lydia Phillips,
Mrs. Mary Furey, (?) Mrs. Mary Stewart,
David Hazel, Mrs. Ann Eliza Tunis.
Mrs. Elizabeth R. Hazel, Mrs. Mary Woodward,
(?) Mrs. Ann Hunter, Mrs. Sarah Williams.—25.
Marg't Ann Hutchinson,

Tenth year, from Easter 1843, to Easter 1844.

Agnes Boulton, William L. Newbold,
Mary Devor, Robert Nixon,
William Gibson, Mrs. Lavinia Reed,
Mrs. Eliza Gibson, Mrs. Harriet Richards,
Mrs. Mary Harbison, Phoebe Ann Robbins,
Rachel Hill, (?) Ann Jane Smith,
Mrs. Amelia Jennings, Mrs. Abby Ann Van Pelt,
Mrs. Caroline Jennings, Elizabeth Westcott,
Catharine M'Couch, Eliza Whitney.—19.
Jane M'Mullen,

Eleventh year, from Easter 1844, to Easter 1845.

James Christie, Mrs. Mary Ann Donaghy,

William A. Newbold, Mrs. Mary P. Norris,
Mary Newell, Elizabeth Young.—6.

Twelfth year, from Easter 1845, to Easter 1846.

Mrs. Maria E. Black, Thomas Kirkpatrick,
Vincent L. Bradford, Mrs. Jane M'Cormick,
Mrs. Juliet S. Bradford, Mrs. Catharine Nixon,
Mary Divine, Mrs. Matilda Stovell,
Williamina Hoopes, Mrs. Elizb'h Tanguy.—11.
Mrs. Rebecca Kennedy,

Thirteenth year, from Easter 1846, to Easter 1847.

Mrs. Mary E. B. Allibone, Eliza M. Gray,
Israel M. Bissell, (?) Matilda Kenton,
Mrs. Augusta Bissell, James A. Kirkpatrick,
Henry L. Boulton, Ann M'Garvey,
George Buchanan, Mrs. Jane M'Gowan,
Mrs. Jane F. T. Byrd, Margaret M'Mullen,
(?) Mrs. Jane Clark Connor, Mrs. Mary V. Henderson,
Charles Foster, (?) Nancy Stewart,
Mrs. Emily M. Foster, (?) Mrs. Jane Woolson,
Sarah Furey, Mrs. Amanda Wiley.—21.
(?) Elizabeth E. Gilbert,

Fourteenth year, from Easter 1847, to Easter 1848.

Caroline A. Batturs, Mrs. Matilda Crothers,
Mrs. Julia W. Biddle, William S. Crothers,
(?) Catharine A. Bonnar, (?) Mary Davis,
(?) Emma Brown, Mary R. Gatliff,

Mrs. Elizabeth A. Groome, Mrs. Catharine Shippen,
Mrs. Rebecca Gumbes, Ann Smyth,
David Ireland, Elizabeth Smyth,
Mary Ann Kees, Charlotte M. Wetherill,
Ellen Kirkpatrick, Rachel P. Wetherill,
Mary Ann Kirkpatrick, James Whitney.—21.
Jane M'Minn,

Fifteenth year, from Easter 1848, to Easter 1849.

Helen E. Ashhurst, Mrs. Anna W. Reed,
Margaret Christie, Jacob Reese,
Catharine Davis, G. Herman Robinett, M. D.
Edmund Hopper, Mrs. Sarah Sergeant,
Mrs. Sarah B. Hopper, Harriet Shaw,
Mrs. Mary Howell, Amelia C. Smith,
Mary Maloy, Ann Smith,
Mrs. Margaret E. Martin, Mrs. Maria Stockton.—17.
Emma Newbold,

Sixteenth year, from Easter 1849, to Easter 1850.

James Campbell, (?) Sarah Easton,
Mrs. Rebecca Campbell, Lydia P. Leidy,
Annie B. Campbell, Alicia M'Cauley,
Alice M. Campbell, Ann Morrison,
Anna Cowpland, (?) Mary M. Murray.—10.

Seventeenth year, from Easter 1850, to Easter 1851.

William Boulton, Martha C. Burns,

Maria W. Butler,	J. Cheston Morris, M. D.,
Sarah Jane Connor,	Helen Newbold,
Ann Drake,	Emma Newell,
Sarah B. Drake,	Charles E. H. Richardson,
Mrs. Eliza T. Harvey,	Mrs. Emel. M. Richardson,
Augustus Heaton,	E. Augusta Robinett,
Mary A. Hoskins,	Mrs. Margaret Spence,
Mary Hockley,	William Spence,
Courtland D. Howell,	Harriet M. Stockton,
Rebecca Hutchinson,	Emily Wells,
Mrs. Martha Kells,	Charles Wheeler,
Mrs. Eliza A. McCruden,	Elizabeth J. Wheeler,
Mary H. Morris,	Ellen B. Wheeler.—28.

Eighteenth year, from Easter 1851, to Easter 1852.

Elizabeth Bissell,	Edmund H. Frishmuth,
Pierce Butler,	Mrs. Harriet Frishmuth,
Sarah Butler,	(?) Mrs. Helen Hammond,
Ann Campbell,	Elizabeth Holbrook,
Catharine Campbell,	Mrs. Louisa Holliday,
Rebecca Campbell,	Mrs. Elvina Howell,
George C. Cardwell,	Alexander Kirkpatrick,
Mrs. Margaret R. Cardwell,	(?) Margaret Kirkpatrick,
(?) Adelaide L. Clark,	(?) Ann Kirkpatrick,
Mrs. Caroline L. Dupuy,	(?) Mary Kirkpatrick,
Mrs. Jane C. Edwards,	Mrs. Ann Leonard,
Samuel Edwards,	Samuel Leonard,
Caroline A. Filley,	Mary J. McNicholl,

Mrs. Amanda Megill,	William Silcox,
Henry M. Murray,	Mrs. Emeline M. Sims,
Mrs. Clara Nisbet,	John C. Sims,
Clarissa Nisbet,	Virginia G. Smith,
(?) Mrs. Rebecca Oliver,	Catharine Van Pelt,
(?) James S. Palmer.	Mrs. Sarah B. Young.—39.
Mary A. Potts,	

Nineteenth year, from Easter 1852, to Easter 1853.

Lloyd Bankson,	Mrs. Catharine M. North,
Mrs. Salome W. Bankson,	George W. North,
Mrs. Mary A. Berrien,	Mrs. Martha Notmann,
John Biddle,	Mrs. Caroline F. Okie,
Mrs. Mary F. Biddle,	Mary G. Okie,
Mrs. Elizabeth Buchanan,	John B. Okie,
Jane F. Campbell,	Mrs. Anna M. Powers,
Mrs. Mary Clay,	Thomas H. Powers,
Mrs. Mary Diver,	Wm. Lex Rehn,
Nancy Wharton Fisher,	Mrs. Jane C. Ritchie,
Ann Gillespie,	Mrs. Isabella Ryan,
Mrs. Adelia B. Hartshorne,	Margaret Ann Spence,
Dr. Edward Hartshorne,	William Wells,
Maria C. Hutton,	Joseph Whetham,
Mrs. Sarah E. Kirkpatrick,	Mrs. Mary Ann Woods,
Ellen M'Cleary,	Ann Jane Young,
Jane McGowen,	William S. Young.—35.
Mrs. Elizabeth McMurtrie,	

Twentieth year, from Easter 1853, to Easter 1854.

Fanny Bain,	Jane C. McMullen,
Mary Y. Brinton,	Galloway C. Morris,
Robert T. Conrad,	Fanny J. Oliver,
Mrs. Augusta E. Davis,	Mrs. Emma H. Reath,
Maria B. Harbison,	Julia Stockton,
Ellen D. Harper,	Elizabeth C. Stovell,
Catharine Hood,	Ellen Thomas,
Mrs. Harriet D. Jones,	Virginia Troutman,
Margaret Kees,	Anderson M. Wylie.—19.
Hugh Kirkpatrick,	

Received previous to Easter 1854, though not recorded at the time :

Mrs. Margaret Barclay,	Elizabeth Hendrickson,
Esther M. Bolster,	Mrs. Anne Kees,
George J. Bolster,	Mrs. Sarah F. Key,
Mrs. Eliza Brooks,	Eliza Jane Kirkpatrick,
Louisa Bryant,	Matilda H. Locke,
Mrs. Mary R. Dupuy,	Mrs. Catharine M. McCune,
Emma L. Dupuy,	Mrs. Eliza McFadden,
Clara A. Dupuy,	Mrs. Louisa McIlvaine,
Mrs. Anna Duffy,	Mrs. Hannah Morris,
Mrs. Mary A. Ellis,	Mrs. Lucy A. Parrish,
Mrs. Anna P. Ford,	Mrs. Ruth Anna Potts,
Sarah J. Fossett,	Mrs. Judith Quayle,
Elizabeth D. Graham,	Mrs. Rachel J. Rhoads,

Mrs. Eliza Rush,	Mary Wilson,
Evans A. Shippen,	Mrs. Jane C. Yohe.—31.
Thomas Weldom,	

Twenty-first year, from Easter 1854, to Easter 1855.

William W. Algen,	Elizabeth W. Key,
Mary Ames,	Helen Kirkpatrick,
Edward C. Biddle,	Susan Kirkpatrick,
Mary E. Bowen,	Mrs. Julia A. M. Levin,
Eliza Bricknell,	Louisa C. Levin,
Mary M. Bryant,	Anne Luke,
William G. Caldcleugh,	Hugh McBride,
Alexander Campbell,	Margaret J. McCauley,
Mrs. Grace Campbell,	Mrs. Anne McDonald,
Mrs. Sarah Carpenter,	James McMullen,
Margaret Cherry,	Charles E. Murray,
Mrs. Maria Cochran,	Agnes P. Rees,
Margaret Cranby,	M. Mesier Reese,
Anna Davar.	Anna H. M. Seed,
Henry K. Dillard,	Henry R. Smith,
Bernard S. Dupuy,	John G. Standbridge,
Charles W. Duane,	Charles Stokes,
Mrs. Maria Hall,	Mrs. Josephine Stokes,
Mrs. Martha Hill,	Sarah Stroup,
Mrs. Frances Johnson,	Cornelia F. Taylor,
Elizabeth James,	Mrs. Frances M. Taylor,
Catharine Kees,	Mrs. Thomasina H. Thrall,
Elizabeth Kees,	Mrs. Anna M. Truitt,

Mrs. Mary Tutton,
Mary E. Tutton,

Mrs. Catharine M. Tyng,
Maria M. Wiley.—50.

Twenty-second year, from Easter 1855, to Easter 1856.

Josephine P. Anderson,	George F. Knorr,
Henrietta K. Angell,	Mrs. Jennet Knorr,
Edward W. Appleton,	Mrs. Maria McClaranan,
Samuel E. Appleton,	Mrs. Ann McCleary,
Eleanor A. Barrington,	Matilda McCullough,
Mrs. Elizabeth Birch,	Mrs. Ann McDonald,
Louisa Birch,	Sallie M. Morris,
Bernardo W. Boulton,	Mrs. Eliza Nagle,
Emily Boulton,	Jane Nagle,
Joseph E. Brown,	Joanna M. Reese,
Henry Heber Bull,	J. Livingston Reese,
Mrs. Sarah K. Bull,	W. Henry Reese,
Gertrude A. Clarkson,	John P. Rhoads,
Mrs. Mary S. Cole,	Susan M. Richards,
Mary Cook,	Mrs. Elizabeth Sales,
Mrs. Mary Croll,	Mrs. Anna J. Simon,
Richard Dawson,	Wm. Jackson Simon, M. D.
Laura Denby,	Mary Simes,
Rebecca Donaghy,	D. C. Wharton Smith,
Frances I. Dupuy,	Margaret Spence,
Maria Evans,	William J. Spence,
Margaret Gilmore,	Mrs. Rebecca Staley,
George Henderson,	Mrs. Elizabeth Steinmetz,
Elizabeth Keeler,	Caroline Stockton,

Mrs. Lydia Trott,	Annie M. Wheeler,
Eleanor Woodward,	Mary Wheeler,
Mrs. Sarah E. Woodward,	Mrs. Lucy M. Whetham,
George W. Woodward,	Wm. E. Weatherly, M. D.
Elizabeth Warnock,	57.

TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Sunday-Schools of the Church of the Epiphany.

JANUARY 1856.

THE close of a year, and entrance on another, should ever be a season of grateful thanksgiving, and also of rigid self-examination and humble acknowledgment of sin. In every interest and relation of life, we have occasion for both the one and the other. Individually and collectively, it is proper and beneficial to remember, and record, God's dealings with ourselves, and our dealings with God. As a band of disciples, engaged in training children for the service of our Master, we have especial reason to pause at the knell of a dying year, and think of our mercies and our solemn responsibilities. The year has been a happy one. We have gone on "the even tenor of our ways," and found few trials or calamities to mar our peace. The School has retained its character of good order and efficiency, in as high degree as ever. There is very much to gratify both the intelligent visitor and those more immediately interested in its prosperity.

Our numbers, however, are a little smaller than they were last year, being now 59 teachers and 608 scholars, distributed as follows:

Female Department.

	Teachers.		Scholars.	
1st Bible Class,	-	-	1	24
2d " "	-	-	1	25
Intermediate Department,	-	-	30	234
Infant Class,	-	-	1	52
Total,	-	-	33	335

Male Department.

	Teachers.		Scholars.	
Bible Class,	-	-	1	19
Intermediate Department,	-	-	24	162
1st Infant Class,	-	-	—	28
2d " "	-	-	1	62
Total,	-	-	26	271

There has been a gradual decline in the number of scholars for the last seven years. This is owing to the change of population and increase of churches to the west of us, by means of which we have become less and less of a missionary and more and more of a congregational Sunday-school. The class who used to fill up our schools, are gradually removing from us, and find other churches nearer at hand, opening their hospitable doors to the little ones. This is the only explanation of the decline, inasmuch as the attendance in the Church is even on the increase, and there is no reason to believe that a smaller proportion of the children of the congrega-

tion are gathered into the school. A confirmatory fact is, the greatly lessened demand for clothing from the Dorcas Society among our scholars. It is a melancholy reflection, that as our ability increases we should be doing less than ever for the children of the poor. And I would earnestly press this again as a reason why we should open a branch school at a distance from our own Church. We are called to be "fishers of men," and when we find the tide leaving us, we must set our nets in a new place, and not sit in idle hope that the fish will come and be caught. A neighborhood could be found, without much difficulty, where such an enterprise is greatly needed, and where, in a very few years, we might build up a flourishing Church.

In consequence of removal from our neighborhood, or impaired strength, a number of teachers have resigned their classes during the year, and their place has been supplied by others, chiefly from the Bible classes. Our friend, Mr. Hockley, must not be allowed to retire from the charge of the Library, without grateful acknowledgment of his long and faithful services in that department. Two young men have left us, to prosecute their studies for the ministry of the Gospel. One, the teacher of our Second Infant Class, has resigned the school, which he had advanced and kept in a high degree of prosperity, to enter on a still more important sphere in

Bedford street, in obedience to the command of the Master of the feast, to go out into the "streets and lanes of the city." And one beloved daughter of God, has been removed to a more heavenly ministry. She might truly be called the child of the Church. From her infancy she had been identified with it, either as scholar or teacher. She passed successively through the Infant Department, the Sunday-school, the Bible Class, "growing in wisdom as in stature, and in favor with God and man." Taught also in the school of Christ, she became a teacher of others, and for several years continued in faithful and efficient discharge of every duty, until declining health made it necessary for her to retire. After a long and trying illness, during which she lay at the "gate of heaven," she "fell asleep." But we know that "them who sleep in Jesus, will God bring with him."

The year has been one of great spiritual blessings. *Three* teachers and *twenty-nine* scholars have, since the last report, been admitted into the fellowship of Christ, by confirmation and communion. Others are known to be deeply interested in the subject of personal religion, and some to be ready for admittance to membership in the Church. Should not this encourage us to hope for greater blessings during the present season? Why should not more yet be brought to Christ? "Is not the Lord gone up

before us?" Let us, then, follow his guidance, and pray and labor for a richer harvest.

The Missionary collections for the year, have been \$597 00, in addition to \$431 50, subscribed by teachers and scholars, towards the erection in the church yard, of a monument to the memory of the Rev. Mr. Fowles.

Something more is necessary to reanimate the interest and zeal of our children in the cause of missions. We can hardly hope it to be self-sustained. And I would suggest, whether one afternoon in a month might not be profitably devoted to a missionary meeting, of varied exercises, to be participated in by both teachers and scholars. Much information might, in this way, be given, and much interest enkindled.

And, now, may that God, "without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy," direct and bless us all during another year, and cause his own work to prosper in our hands.

DUDLEY A. TYNG.

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Parish School Association of the Church of the Epiphany.

THE Managers of the Parish School, in presenting this Report of the proceeding of the past year, have to regret the resignations of several of their valued members, who have been obliged, either by change of residence or increased demands upon their time from other quarters, to relinquish their office as managers of this Association. Although deprived of their services, and forced to contend with several other difficulties, the School seems still to be prospered, and, it is believed, is doing good in various ways—supplying to the children what is generally overlooked in our public schools, proper instruction in sewing, providing them with means for acquiring all useful learning, and, above all, associating with the first impressions of their youth, those saving truths which are held and taught by our Church.

The number of children now in the school, has not increased since the last annual report. It was then 83—it is now 77.

The elder department contains 38 pupils, the In-

fant School 39. The number might have been increased, had the state of the funds permitted, application having been made on the part of some parents, whose circumstances would not enable them to pay even the small sum which is weekly required for the tuition of their children, to have them admitted on scholarship—that is, at the expense of some yearly contributor of five dollars to the school. There being at this time, however, no scholarships unappropriated, they were necessarily dismissed.

The attendance and punctuality of the children, during the past year, has not been such as could have been wished. In addition to the severity of the weather, the prevalence of sickness may, perhaps, account for this irregularity. A plan has been adopted for visiting the absent, which, it is hoped, will prove effectual in securing greater constancy of attendance. It will, no doubt, also be found advantageous in assuring the parents of the interest taken by the ladies in the welfare of their children.

The reports of the Weekly Committees, show increasing satisfaction with the department, and improvement of the pupils. Several measures have been adopted to increase their interest in the exercises of the school. The distribution of prizes for superior excellence, either in conduct or recitations, the weekly lecture from the Rev. Mr. Thrall, and the formation of a singing class, are among the number.

On the whole, it is hoped that, notwithstanding the failures and imperfections which must attend the sincerest human efforts, this undertaking has not been wholly unsuccessful. That its efficiency may be increased, is, however, greatly to be desired; and for that purpose, it is commended in prayer to Him, without whose blessing it is in vain to labor.

April 7th, 1856.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER
OF THE
PARISH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

DR.			
Annual Subscriptions,	-	-	\$103 50
Donations,	-	-	63 50
Twenty Scholarships,	-	-	100 00
Tuition money from the children,	-	-	146 48
Balance due Treasurer,	-	-	54 19
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			\$467 67
CR.			
Balance due Treasurer,	-	-	\$48 70
Salaries of Teachers,	-	-	350 00
Cleaning School-rooms,	-	-	25 64
Sexton, for services,	-	-	25 00
Books, Stationery, &c.,	-	-	18 33
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			\$467 67

April 7th, 1856.

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Dorcas Society of the Church of the Epiphany.

THE average attendance at the meetings of the Society during the past season, has been about twenty-five. More than twelve hundred garments have been distributed, chiefly to the children of the Sunday-schools. Many poor women of the congregation have been much assisted, during the winter, by work, which they have received weekly.

The Treasurer's receipts have been:

By Donations,	-	-	-	\$354 00
" Subscription,	-	-	-	88 75
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Total amount received,	-	-	-	\$442 75
Amount expended for work,	-	-	-	\$75 00
Total amount expended,	-	-	-	423 25
Balance on hand,	-	-	-	19 00

EMILY WELLS,

April 7th, 1856.

R E P O R T
OF THE
LADIES' SEWING SOCIETY,
OF THE
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,

For the year ending March 29, 1856.

THIS Society numbers upon its roll, the names of thirty members. Weekly meetings have been held during the spring and winter months, with an average attendance of seven. The articles made at these meetings, with those contributed by members and others, who work for the Society at home, have been disposed of at the two sales, held in May and December. The number of articles made for these sales, of materials furnished by the Society, is 154; of donations, 215. The amount pledged by the Society towards the salary of Bishop Payne, has thus been raised, with an overplus, which has been suitably appropriated to other objects.

ELLEN THOMAS, in account with the Sewing Society
of the Church of the Epiphany, from March 29th,
1855, to March 29th, 1856 :

Dr.

Received from Sales,	-	-	-	-	\$370 58
Subscriptions,	-	-	-	-	24 00
Donations,	-	-	-	-	10 00
Balance from last year,	-	-	-	-	26 12
					\$430 70

Cr.

To Mr. Locke, for African Missions,	-				\$250 00
Donation to Box, for Mrs. Payne,	-				10 00
" Rev. Mr. Reynolds,	-				50 00
Paid for Materials,	-	-	-	-	84 76
Balance on hand,	-	-	-	-	35 94
					\$430 70

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE BIBLE SOCIETY

OF THE

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,

Auxiliary to the Female Bible Society of Philadelphia.

OUR labors for the past year have not resulted in a material increase of subscribers. The few new ones obtained, have not sufficed to fill the vacancies occasioned by death, removals from the city, and temporary absence.

We would again urge upon the Managers, the importance of collecting early in the season. We should not only be more successful in procuring additional subscribers, but the old ones would less frequently withhold their contributions, if applied to before the numerous demands of the winter have exhausted the ability to give. In several instances the poor have increased their offerings, and in every case have evinced the kindest interest in our work.

A poor communicant of our Church, requested to

be supplied with a Bible, saying that, though she could not read herself, she could get a friend to read to her; thus hearer and reader may be made wise unto salvation.

Another poor woman died, giving the clearest evidence of the power of God's Word to sustain and comfort under the most trying circumstances. When too ill to read her treasured Bible, it was placed under her pillow; and when asked upon what she relied in her time of need, she replied, "I rest upon the promises."

May we rely upon His promise, "My word shall not return unto me void, but shall prosper in the thing whereto I send it;" and thus encouraged, continue our efforts to extend the knowledge of the Lord, that "His name may be praised, from the rising up of the sun, until the going down of the same."

We have distributed, this year, fifteen English Bibles, two German, and one Testament; and have received, in subscriptions and donations, \$177.

C. CLAY, Treasurer.

April 15th, 1856.

BENEVOLENT OPERATIONS.

The various collections of the past year have been, according to the following account of Z. Locke, Parish Treasurer:

Receipts.

Ladies' Sewing Society, for Africa, -	\$250 00
Sunday School, for Africa, -	\$250 00
“ “ for education of S. H. Tyng, in Africa, 20 00	
“ “ for education of two boys, in China, 40 00	
“ “ Building of Am. S. S. Union, - 50 00	
“ “ Libraries for the West, - - 51 00	
“ “ for Church of the Epiphany Scholarship in Cape Palmas Female Orphan Asylum, Africa, 75 00	
“ “ for erection of Monument of the late Rev. Jas. H. Fowles, 431 50—917 50	
Donations for “ “ - - 273 00	
“ “ Diocesan Missionary Society, 373 25	
“ “ Purchase of the Library of the late Rev. J. H. Fowles, 442 50	
“ “ Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum, 31 00	

Donations for Theological Seminary, Va. 820 00	
“ “ Am. Sunday School Union, 200 00	
Ladies' Society, for the Jews, - - - 100 00	
Collection for the sufferers by yellow fever at Norfolk and Portsmouth, Va. - - 534 50	
Collection on Thanksgiving day, for Episcopal Hospital, - - - 220 00	
Collection on Thanksgiving day, for Missions in Delaware, - 100 00	
Collection on Thanksgiving day, for Mission at Tuscarora, - 280 67—600 67	
Collected from subscriptions, - - 3,469 84	
	<hr/> \$8,012 26

Paid by order of the Vestry.

To Foreign Committee, for salary of Bishop and Mrs. Payne, in Africa, - - \$750 00	
To Foreign Committee, for education of a boy named S. H. Tyng, - - 20 00	
To Foreign Committee, for Chinese Mission, 100 00	
For the education of two boys in China, 40 00	
For Church of the Epiphany Scholarship in Cape Palmas Orphans' Asylum, Africa, 75 00	
For Cape Palmas Orphans' Asylum, “ 31 00	
For support of the Episcopate, - - 150 00	
For Convention Fund, - - - 50 00	
To American Bible Society, - - 125 00	
To Pennsylvania Bible Building, - 50 00	

To Diocesan Missionary Society, for education, - - - - -	323 25
To Diocesan Missionary Society for Missions, - - - - -	375 00
To Bishop Lee, for Missions in Delaware,	100 00
For Episcopal Missions for the West, -	50 00
For Market street Mission, - -	55 00
For Young Men's Christian Mission in Bedford street, - - - - -	50 00
For Mission to the Alms House, Blockley,	25 00
To Rev. T. G. Allen, City Missionary,	50 00
“ A. B. Hard, Delaware County,	50 00
“ Geo. Kirke, Downingtown, -	50 00
“ Richard Graham, Mullica Hill, N. J.,	50 00
“ F. Granger, Oberlin, Ohio, -	25 00
“ E. Meyers, “ -	25 00
“ Samuel Randal, St. James Church, Pittsburg, - - - -	74 00
“ Wm. Douglas, St. Thomas African Church, - - - -	50 00
For Episcopal Hospital, - - -	220 00
For Christ Church, Germantown, -	100 00
For St. Jude's Church, - - -	150 00
For Emanuel Church, Kensington, -	50 00
For Church of the Messiah, Port Richmond,	25 00
To Parish Missionary, - - -	600 00
To Evangelical Knowledge Society, -	100 00
To Seaman's Friend Society, -	25 00

To Bishop White Prayer Book Society,	25 00
To Sabbath Association, - - -	45 00
To Dorcas Society of the Church of Epiphany, - - - -	20 00
To Parish School “ “	52 50
To Treasurer of S. S. Association “	300 00
To Am. Sunday School Union, - -	550 00
To “ “ “ for Libraries for the West, - - - -	51 00
For sufferers by yellow fever at Norfolk and Petersburg, Va., - - -	534 56
For the purchase of the Library of the late Rev. J. H. Fowles, - - -	442 50
For the erection of a Monument to the late Rev. J. H. Fowles, - - -	704 70
For the Theological Seminary, Va. -	920 00
For the London Jews Society, - -	100 00
For Printing Pledges and Church Debt,	12 00
Balance due the Treasurer from last year,	42 75
Balance in hand of Treasurer, - -	199 02
	<hr/> \$8,012 26

There have thus been distributed during the past year :

Through the Parish Treasurer, - -	\$7,762 26
Through the Parish School Association,	467 67
Through the Dorcas Society, - -	442 75
Through the Ladies' Sewing Society,	430 70
Through the Bible Society, - -	177 00
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	\$9,280 38

To these sums must be added, \$836 25 of Communion alms; \$143 50 paid to Rev. S. R. Wright, for rebuilding Trinity Church, Matagorda, Texas; about \$800 collected by Rev. E. A. Strong, for scholarships in Kenyon College; making, in all, \$11,060 13, as the benevolent work of the year.

The experiment of a return to Congregational Singing, begun a year ago, has been continued through the year. Great difficulties have been encountered in the slowness with which large bodies can be induced to change established habits. The appearance of novelty has been displeasing to some, and the simple uniformity of music to others. But the result of the experiment has, notwithstanding, been gratifying in the extreme. It has fully established the ability of an Episcopal congregation to sustain the praises of the sanctuary by their own voices. And it has proved, on manifold occasions, the increase of spiritual pleasure and profit attend-

ant on the universal, hearty participation of a large assembly in this part of the worship of God. And yet the experiment can be considered as only fairly begun. There is a perceptible improvement from week to week; and another year will witness its triumphant success, if all worshippers in the Church will respond to that inspired exhortation which our Prayer Book teaches us to sing—"Let the people praise thee, O God; yea, let *all the people* praise thee." Meanwhile, there is enough to encourage others to make the same experiment. And it is cheering to know what wide-spread sympathy and favor attend this beginning of a reformation.

The Rector thus renders to the congregation, an account of his stewardship. May we all remember how speedily we must all render, each for himself, a similar account at a higher tribunal, and have grace to "watch and pray, lest we enter into temptation," and to abide "faithful unto death," that at the hand of mercy we may receive a "crown of life."

Your friend and servant in Christ,

DUDLEY A. TYNG.

May 1, 1856.

TWENTY-THIRD
PASTORAL REPORT
OF THE
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,
PHILADELPHIA.

PRESENTED TO THE CONGREGATION AT

Easter, April 12, 1857.

BY

THE VESTRY.



PHILADELPHIA:
H. B. ASHMEAD, BOOK AND JOB PRINTER,
GEORGE STREET ABOVE ELEVENTH.
1857.

NOTICE.

This is the twenty-third of an annual series to be printed alike and presented to the congregation at Easter in every year. If they are preserved, each member of the congregation will have a complete history of the Church from its commencement.

The following named gentlemen compose the Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, elected on Easter-Monday, April 13, 1857.

LEWIS R. ASHHURST,	} <i>Church Wardens.</i>
PIERCE BUTLER,	
CASPAR MORRIS,	
GEORGE B. REESE,	
ZEBULON LOCKE,	
ALLIN ROBINETT,	
JOSHUA COWPLAND,	
EDWARD OLMSTED,	
JOHN J. REESE,	
AUGUSTUS HEATON,	
ALGERNON E. ASHBURNER,	
JOHN HOCKLEY.	

Sexton.

JACOB LEIDY.

Assistant Sexton.

GEORGE BUCHANAN.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

EASTER, 1857.

MARRIAGES.

Two.

BAPTISMS.

Four adults. Twenty-three infants.

BURIALS.

Nine.

COMMUNICANTS.

Reported last year, *five hundred and twelve*. During the year *four* have died, and *one hundred and seventy-two* have been stricken from the list, having either removed from the city or joined other churches. A large proportion of these have not for years been worshippers in this church. The present number, therefore, as nearly as can be ascertained, is *three hundred and thirty-six*.

anew upon our great work, with increased diligence and prayerfulness, and with livelier faith. Looking away from all second causes, let us humble ourselves under the chastisements of the Divine hand, and wait upon God for his blessing.

We have reason for thankfulness, that so far as known, but one of our number has been removed by death during the year; but of this one beloved associate some special notice is due.

On the second of June last, Caroline Filley entered into the heavenly rest. She became a scholar in our infant class when but five years of age, and passed through the different gradations in our school, until, when about eighteen, she professed her faith in Christ. She then took charge of a class of young children in our Sunday-school. Here she was permitted to labor but a short time, for soon she was called upon to relinquish duties in which she had taken much pleasure, and laid aside all active exertions from feeble health. For two years her strength was gradually failing, until the summons came, which called her to the more immediate presence of her Lord. In her death, she had no fears, but trusting in the Saviour whom she loved, and without the confinement of a day to her sick room, she peacefully fell asleep.

Several of our former teachers, withdrawn for various reasons, from the active labors of the school

for some years past, have lately returned; at which we rejoice; others, and among them some highly valued, have left us for a different field of labor, leaving our numbers mournfully reduced.

Our Teachers are now, however, as we trust, united in sentiment and in mutual confidence; and looking for the hearty support and co-operation of the congregation, and trusting above all in the promised aid and blessing of our heavenly Master, we enter upon the labors of another year.

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Parish School Association—Church of the Epiphany.

THE Managers of the Parish School, in presenting their Fifth Annual Report to the congregation, have with pleasure to record an increase in their number since this time last year. The boys and girls are now in different apartments, and number, in all, 101, of whom 47 are boys, 54 girls. Of the latter, some are fourteen or fifteen years of age, and have been long in the school. Great interest is taken in these young persons, whose present advantages lead us to expect much from their future course. Shall not the holy influences shed around their childhood through the power of the Spirit of God, fit them for the reception of richer blessings in store for them?

Undeniably useful as are our public schools, and thankful as we are and should be for the benefits bestowed upon our land and people, by their operations; yet are they on too large a scale to secure all that is to be desired in "a good education." The busy stir, the bustle, the commotion, remind one of a world in miniature. The method and discipline observed, the energy and activity inculcated, the

competition and progress expected, may be, and doubtless are, elements of success. The crowd of young beginners turned from their sheltering walls, are ready to mingle in the tumult of a practical life, prepared by their previous experience to struggle and to win for themselves a worthy position among their fellows. But may they not carry with them from the school-world which they have left, some qualities which, however they may promote their advancement in a worldly point of view, will prove dangerous to their happiness, will injure their usefulness, and ultimately tempt them to lay aside the respect they owe to the authority and claims of God. May not the same emulation which won for them the highest place in school, when brought to bear upon the realities of their after-life, deprive them of much that is ennobling to our nature; of sympathy, forbearance, and charity—and when, as it often will, the struggle ends in disappointment, what selfishness, what envy of other's success, what disregard of other's rights may ensue. This law of competition is not the law of love which should educate young immortals to resemble their Father in heaven.

At the best, our public institutions are but prepared to send forth a well-trained band of men and women who shall lead a common life, and exert a common influence; who shall live to themselves, it

may be wisely and well, but who will not consider the glory of God as the end of their existence, nor the spread of His gospel as their constant and legitimate employment.

May there not be a select few, (for want of means to increase the number,) with whom the aim of life shall reach a higher mark? Whose infancy shall be associated not alone with the wearisome school-room duties, but with the inspired lessons of Divine Truth adapted to their early years; whose youthful steps shall be guided not by the hand of salaried duty, but of affection, freely given—given by those who would willingly promote the glorious cause of Christian enterprise, and who see in these children the future hopes of the race, whom Christ died to save.

Among the advantages of this mode of education, it must not be forgotten how assiduously and constantly its objects are superintended by the Managers—while they receive instruction in all useful learning, they are brought in contact with those of a higher class in society, and are imperceptibly sensible of refining influences. They feel conscious of their own importance in witnessing the interest they excite in those they are accustomed to consider above them. Nor do they over-rate the advantages they enjoy in this friendly interest. A watchful care over these little ones, while suggesting much anxiety

on their account, must lead to frequent prayer that they may be evermore protected from evil by the compassionate and Almighty Shepherd of souls. While they are taught all practical duties of the Christian life, may not their minds be richly furnished with the higher doctrines of the Christian faith. While multitudes around them are leading a life, if not of unconcern, of uninstructed, and often mistaken, religious duty, why may not these favored ones be educated to live above the world, be filled with all spiritual knowledge, perhaps to teach others, and so increase ten-fold the usefulness of that instrumentality, by which they have themselves been blessed.

These remarks have been made, simply as a statement of the grounds upon which the Managers of the Parish School think it worthy of their earnest attention and continued effort. There is evidence observed in the schools generally, and particularly in that of the boys, that an interest is taken in the Scriptural instruction given, which is gladly received as a foreshadowing of better things to come. One of the Managers reports that, in visiting the parents of the children, "they manifested great interest in the school and in the teachers, who seemed to win the hearts of their scholars. They say that it is often difficult to keep their children at home." Another speaks of the recitations as well prepared,

in which respect there was room for improvement. For these reasons the Managers feel encouraged to proceed. The only difficulty in the way of proceeding with energy, is the want of funds. The usual resources collected last year, were found to have fallen short to the amount of \$84. Since then, the numbers have increased from 77 to 101, and the receipts from the children have amounted to \$86 more this year than last, thus proving that the school has really flourished, while receiving less encouragement from the congregation. Finding it, however, impossible to make the receipts of the year defray the necessary expenses, and each year falling short from \$50 to \$100, the Managers feel it their duty to make an appeal to the congregation in behalf of the school, and to solicit new subscriptions.

April 6, 1857.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER
OF THE
PARISH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

DR.

Annual Subscriptions,	-	-	-	\$81 00
Donations, -	-	-	-	15 00
17 Scholarships, -	-	-	-	85 00
Tuition money from the children,	-	-	-	233 42
Balance due Treasurer,	-	-	-	80 78
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				\$495 20
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Balance due Treasurer, per last report, -	-	-	-	54 19
Salaries of Teachers, -	-	-	-	350 00
Cleaning School-rooms, -	-	-	-	25 50
Sexton, for services, -	-	-	-	50 00
Books, stationery, &c., -	-	-	-	15 51
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				\$495 20
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April 6, 1857.

NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Doreas Society of the Church of the Epiphany.

THE average attendance at the meetings of the Society during the past season, has been twenty-five; the number of names enrolled being forty-eight; the number of garments distributed has been about nine hundred.

The Treasurer's receipts have been:

In Donations,	-	-	-	-	256	45
In Subscriptions,	-	-	-	-	63	00
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Total,	-	-	-	-	\$319	45
Amount paid for work,	-	-	-	-	70	03
Bills paid,	-	-	-	-	246	15
Balance on hand,	-	-	-	-	3	27
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Total,	-	-	-	-	\$319	45

EMILY WELLS, *Secretary.*

April 10, 1857.

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE BIBLE SOCIETY

OF THE

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,

Auxiliary to the Female Bible Society of Philadelphia.

THE Auxiliary Society of the Church of the Epiphany has been much retarded in its operations this year, by the resignation of some of its most valued and active Managers, and its collections somewhat diminished by the withdrawal of several of its subscribers.

At a meeting held in November last, it was resolved to divide the work among the remaining members of the Board, and to defer the election of new officers until the next annual meeting.

Owing to many unforeseen circumstances, and especially to the increased labor imposed upon our diminished numbers, we have not been able to extend our list of subscribers. Still our success has been encouraging, and our interest in our work has increased.

It gives us pleasure to state, that several of our

subscribers continue their contributions to the Bible Society through our auxiliary, though themselves removed to a new field of labor, and others have withdrawn for the present, finding that their new enterprise demands all they can conveniently contribute.

Each year, as it passes, impresses us more and more with the power of God's truth, and "the sundry and manifold changes of the world" lead us to rest more trustfully upon that "word," which shall never pass away.

May we be stimulated to constant effort, not only to aid in diffusing the knowledge of these saving truths and comforting promises, but to commend them by our lives and example to all around us.

We have distributed, this year, seven Bibles, and received, in subscriptions and donations, one hundred and twenty dollars.

C. CLAY, *Treasurer, &c.*

April 13, 1857.

BENEVOLENT OPERATIONS.

The various collections of the past year have been, according to the following account of Mr. Locke, Parish Treasurer:

Receipts.

Ladies' Sewing Society, for Africa,	-	\$148 16
Sunday School, for Africa,	-	\$250 00
" " Library for the		
West,	- -	10 00
" " for Church of the		
Epiphany Scholar-		
ship in Cape Pal-		
mas Female Orphan		
Asylum, Africa,	75 00—	335 00
Donations for Theological Seminary, Va.,		532 00
" " Kenyon College,	- -	375 00
Ladies' Society, for the Jews,	- -	100 00
Collection on Thanksgiving day, for Epis-		
copal Hospital,	- - - -	828 78
Collected from subscriptions,	- -	2,966 70
Balance in hand of Treasurer, from last		
year,	- - - - -	199 02

\$5,484 66

Paid by order of the Vestry.

To Foreign Committee, for salary of Bishop and Mrs. Payne, in Africa, - -	\$750 00
To Foreign Committee, for Chinese Mission, For Church of the Epiphany Scholarship in Cape Palmas Orphans' Asylum, Africa, -	50 00
For support of the Episcopate, - -	75 00
For Convention Fund, - - - -	150 00
To Pennsylvania Bible Society, - -	50 00
To Diocesan Missionary Society for Mis- sions, - - - - -	70 00
To Missions in Delaware, - - - -	230 00
To House of Industry, - - - -	100 00
To Episcopal Benevolent Agency, - -	75 00
To Rev. T. G. Allen, City Missionary, -	50 00
" A. B. Hard, Delaware County, -	50 00
" Geo. Kirke, Downingtown, -	50 00
" Rich'd Graham, Mullica Hill, N. J., -	25 00
" A. Beatty, Clarksborough, N. J., -	141 67
" G. P. Hopkins, - - - -	25 00
" Wm. Douglas, St. Thomas African Church, - - - -	50 00
For Episcopal Hospital, - - - -	828 78
For St. Jude's Church, - - - -	112 50
For Church of the Evangelists, - -	50 00
For Church of the Mediator, - - -	50 00
For City Mission to the Jews, - -	75 00

For Education for the Ministry, - -	225 83
To Parish Missionary, - - - -	500 00
To Evangelical Knowledge Society, -	135 00
To Treasurer of S. S. Association, -	332 57
To Am. Sunday-school Union, - -	150 00
" " for Library	
for the West, - - - -	10 00
To Kenyon College, - - - -	375 00
For the Theological Seminary, Va., -	532 00
For the London Jews' Society, - -	100 00
Balance in hands of Treasurer, - -	16 31
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FIFTIETH

PASTORAL REPORT

OF THE

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,

PHILADELPHIA.



1884.

FIFTIETH
PASTORAL REPORT
OF THE
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY,
(Corner of Fifteenth and Chestnut Sts.,)
PHILADELPHIA.

PRESENTED TO THE CONGREGATION
ON THE
FIRST SUNDAY IN MAY, 1884.

PHILADELPHIA:
PATTERSON & WHITE, PRINTERS, 607 CHESTNUT ST.
1884.

NOTICE.

THIS is the Fiftieth Annual Report presented to the congregation. If these reports are preserved, each member of the congregation will have a complete history of the Church from its commencement.

The following named gentlemen compose the Vestry of the Church, elected on Easter Monday, April 14, 1884.

JAMES S. FENTON, }
EDWARD A. SIBLEY, } *Wardens.*
RICHARD C. McMurtrie,
FRANCIS WELLS,
HENRY K. DILLARD,
GRAHAM P. CUNNINGHAM.
ALEXANDER BIDDLE,
WILLIAM S. LANE,
WILLIAM C. PRICHETT,
WILLIAM G. NEILSON,
WILLIAM P. ELLISON,
EDMUND P. DWIGHT.

Organist and Choir Master,

JAMES E. ACKROYD.

Sexton,

GEORGE BUCHANAN,

510 North 17th St.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

MAY, 1884.

MARRIAGES.

Twenty.

BAPTISMS.

Adults, eight; Infants, thirty-two; total, forty.

FUNERALS.

Eighteen.

COMMUNICANTS.

Six hundred and twenty-nine.

(696)

CONFIRMATIONS.

1884.

Confirmed April 7, 1884, by Rt. Rev. Wm. Bacon
Stevens, D.D.

Frederick R. Case,	Margaret Henry,
Maud R. Martin,	Sallie M. Brinton,
Maria Nixon,	Katie D. Byers,
Charles W. Hurst,	Marian G. Byers,
George A. Conner,	Charles F. Zeiss,
Elinora W. Smith,	W. Kemper Bocoock,
Mary E. Smith,	Margaret R. Janeway.
Caroline Prichett,	Maggie Clelland,
Margaret C. Limerick,	Florence H. Irving,
Julia H. Limerick,	Frank Shaw,
Mary A. Miles,	John E. Dunn,
Elizabeth Miles,	Fannie A. Rankin,
Oscar R. Myers,	S. A. Mercer Given,
Josephine V. Myers,	Frances Maria Russell,
Addie Emma Ah Hong.	

(From the Chapel.)

Emma Hutton, Joseph Patterson.

REPORT

OF THE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The past year has been somewhat eventful. The scholars of both male and female schools assembled in September last for the first time as one organization in the bright, cheerful, and well-appointed room so carefully prepared for their reception last summer. The wall of division has thus been removed, and the school presents the aspect of a single and united body under one general superintendent, while the female classes are still under the experienced and successful supervision of Mrs. John B. Love, assisted most materially by Miss Harley and by a corps of faithful and efficient teachers.

The statistics of the school are as follows :

MALE CLASSES.

Number of teachers	.	.	.	.	18
Average attendance	.	.	.	.	15
Number of officers	.	.	.	.	9
Average attendance	.	.	.	.	7
Number of scholars	.	.	.	.	121
Average attendance	.	.	.	.	67
Largest attendance (Dec. 9th)	.	.	.	.	86

Largest offering (December)	\$50.70
Average offering per month	27.17
Average offering per week	6.34
Largest offering on any one Sunday (December 30th)	29.92

FEMALE CLASSES.

Number of teachers	20
Average attendance	14
Number of scholars	125
Average attendance	72
Largest attendance on any one Sunday (Nov. 18th and Dec. 30th)	102
Largest monthly offering (April)	\$46.36
Average offering per month	20.43
Average offering per week	4.77
Largest weekly offering (April 13th)	36.34

"The Church Sunday-School Lessons" are used in the school. It is considered highly desirable that the scholars should be familiarized with the Book of Common Prayer, and consequently it is used in the opening and closing exercises. We are hopeful of using it in the near future exclusively. Thanks to the liberal offerings of the congregation at the semi-centennial celebration a new and complete library will be added during the present season.

The Lyceum has had a most successful career under its president, Mr. Charles M. Thomson.

At our Christmas festival it added much to the pleasure of the occasion, while on April 16th the entertainment given will be remembered as one of the pleasant events of the year.

The other festive occasions have been the Christmas Anniversary and the Easter Festival, at both of which times the united schools moved in a long procession through the aisles of the Church, forming a beautiful column, the marching and singing of which loudly proclaimed skilful generals and able instructors.

The semi-centennial of the Church was celebrated also in the Sunday School, on the afternoon of March 23d. Mr. Francis Wells gave an interesting resumé of their history during the past fifty years. Mr. Boulton (for 16 years superintendent) followed, and was succeeded in turn by Mr. Graham Price Cunningham, the late superintendent, whose resignation and farewell last November was the marked event in the year. He had greatly endeared himself to the schools, and had, by his faithful and able administration, brought about their present prosperity and well-being. After a few words from the Rector, the interesting exercises were terminated with some impressive words of counsel by Bishop Stevens. We were happy in having with us Mrs. S. C. Mitchell, for twenty-one years superintendent of the Female School, and Mr. Edward Olmsted who has been for the long term of *forty-one* years a

faithful, constant and able teacher in the Male School.

To the officers and teachers of the school I am indebted for much courtesy since assuming the position of superintendent in November.

RICHARD L. HOWELL,
Superintendent.

REPORT
OF THE
INFANT CLASS.

The Infant Class commenced on the first Sunday in September with but eighteen pupils present. The number has gradually increased until there are now one hundred and thirty-five names on the roll, although twenty-five have been promoted, and eleven have left on account of change of residence, etc. Forty-two new pupils have been added to our number in that time.

There have been no deaths in the class during the past year, but the weather and sickness have prevented a very large attendance at any time through the winter and spring. At least six pupils have been present every Sunday during the year; as many more have been absent but two or three times, and then only on account of a slight attack of the measles.

There has been comparatively but little severe suffering among the poorer class; forty-seven have had clothing and shoes given them by the Infant School Dorcas Society. These poor little ones are anxious to repeat their pleasant visit to the country given them last summer by that noble charity known as the "Children's Country Week." We are happy that we are able to assure them that their bright hopes will not be disappointed.

Most of the class are familiar with the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments. They are taught the regular appointed lesson of the Diocesan Committee, the Life of our Saviour, and the children show their interest by asking innumerable questions, thus not only teaching each other, but also greatly aiding their teacher.

The children are more easily disciplined than formerly, both in the Church and the School-room, but we hope for still greater improvement. We find that gentleness and patience will in time subdue the most ungovernable of these little ones committed to our charge.

MRS. M. W. AUSTIN,
Teacher.

REPORT
OF THE
YOUNG PEOPLE'S BIBLE CLASS.

The Eleventh Annual Report of the Young People's Bible Class repeats the record of the former years of this department of parish work. The season now approaching its close has been one of pleasant labor and study, in which the class has engaged with undiminished interest, and not without results which constitute the best grounds for gratitude and encouragement.

The class numbers forty members. Continuous stormy weather has necessarily affected the attendance during most of the past season, but many of the members have testified their strong interest by their almost uninterrupted presence. The class has been occupied with a continuation of the study of the Life of our Lord, which engaged its attention during the previous session.

Five members of the class were confirmed at the recent visitation of the Bishop.

At the beginning of Lent, the class organized itself into a Lenten Missionary Society, meeting at the Church every Friday evening for work. This work has been applied to Bishop Paddock's Hospital in Washington Territory, to the family of a devoted clergyman in this Diocese, and to the Hospital of the

Good Shepherd, Rosemont, Pa. Most of the material was supplied by the Ladies' Lenten Missionary Society of the Church. Ninety-two articles in all were made by the class, thus contributing largely to the Lenten missionary work of the parish. In addition to this, the following collections were made:

Previous to Lent	\$12
During Lent	53
From Friends	20
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	\$85

Of this there were appropriated \$60 to the support of the Jennie Crozier scholarship at the Mexican Orphanage, and \$20 to the clergyman's family before alluded to, leaving a balance of \$5 on hand.

No death or serious illness has occurred in the class during the present session, and all the prospects for the future are bright and encouraging.

The class meets on Sunday mornings at 9½ o'clock, and a cordial welcome is extended to all young people of suitable ages of both sexes.

FRANCIS WELLS,

Teacher.

REPORT
OF THE
SECOND BIBLE CLASS.

We have cause for gratitude in connection with this class, that some of its members have regularly attended for twenty years, a few even a longer time, and one has completed thirty-four years of almost unvarying attendance. The whole number enrolled is now 35, which has changed very little for many years. There are usually present from 20 to 28. All are attentive, and many much interested in the study of the Holy Scriptures.

Our Library of more than 150 volumes is always a source of pleasure to the class; it has been long used, and is highly appreciated. A few new volumes have been added occasionally, while more would be acceptable.

More than the usual number of cases of illness have occurred during the past winter, and two of serious lameness from falls in the street; but these are now recovering, and while some have suffered, the many have been mercifully spared through all the inclement season. There are but few in the class who have not been baptized and confirmed, and the larger number of members are

also communicants of the Church. They are interested in the missionary work and other opportunities of doing good presented to them in the class, and anxious to do what is in their power to advance the cause of the Master whom many of them love and desire to serve and follow. The Lenten collection is ten dollars.

S. C. MITCHELL,
Teacher.

REPORT
OF THE
CHINESE CLASS.

The Chinese Class connected with the Epiphany Sunday School has been held without any intermission during the whole year, since Easter, 1883. Some fortuitous circumstances have somewhat diminished its numbers, yet those who remain have been steadfast and faithful, and have aroused to good works. At the Easter festival this class presented \$40 to missions as their contribution for the year; \$30 for the endowment of a bed in the Elizabeth Bunn Memorial Hospital, at Wuchang, China; and \$10 to the Chinese Orphanage. This is the second year of the endowment of the hospital bed. The Chinese scholars were especially pleased to be able to offer a gift to the orphanage, and were thankful that we opened to their knowledge these opportunities of doing good. One man brought a box of American rubber toys, to be put in a box, preparing for the Chinese mission field, with the following sentiment written on the lid in both Chinese and English: "God good to me, I good to others; God save me all the time." This original sentiment savors of gratitude, a duty, the expression of which seems much to be overlooked and undeveloped in many presumably good Christians.

This work among Chinese is slow. They have peculiar minds, slow to be convinced, and well-grounded in their own errors. A teacher writing us from Baltimore says (and we can truly corroborate the statement), "These are some of the objections in the Chinese mind to accepting Christianity:

"1. If God die himself, then He no good man.

"2. If He die, He no God. God cannot die.

"3. Who lives now to know all these things? How you know? (This latter question is daily put to the teacher.)

"4. Every land knows about Confucius; but China does not know about Christ."

Surely the Chinese is a thinking man, and as such there is more reason and pleasure in directing these thoughts into the right channel. "In due time ye shall reap, if ye faint not."

MRS. JOHN C. LUCAS,

Superintendent.

REPORT
OF THE
SEWING SCHOOL.

Number of teachers	14
Average attendance	11
Number of scholars	102
Average attendance	88
Number of garments made	227
Number of handkerchiefs hemmed	130
Contributions, 1884	\$ 99.00
Balance from 1883	18.86
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	\$117.86
For materials	\$ 64.46
For Christmas	11.00
For Festival	40.67
Balance on hand	1.73
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	\$117.86

MISS E. McMURTRIE,
President.

REPORT
OF THE
LENTEN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Lenten Missionary Society reports thirteen boxes sent to various points in the field of domestic missions, viz.:

Rev. Caleb A. Bruce, Helena, Arkansas; Rev. Thomas G. Pond, Albany, Ga.; Rev. John G. Furey, Hulmeville, Pa.; Rev. R. T. Roche, D D., St. Timothy's, Philadelphia; Rev. W. C. Latané, Oak Grove, Va.; Rev. P. McD. Bleecker, Logan, Utah; Rev. Isaac Barr, Lapeer, Michigan; Rev. John Evans, Long Rapids, Mich.; Bishop Pad-dock's School, New Tacoma, Wash'n Territory; Rev. J. B. Wicks, Anadasko, Indian Territory. A box of clerical vestments to Atlantic City, N. J., the individual gift of a parishioner through the society; a box of blankets to Bishop Morris's Hospital, Portland, Oregon; a special gift to the Hospital of the Good Shepherd, Rosemont, Pa., through the Young People's Bible Class, to which we are largely indebted for efficient working aid with all the boxes.

The donations in money, materials, clothing, and books, make the value of the boxes sent \$1564.05.

E. H. ROBERTS,

President.

MISS E. McMURTRIE,

Secretary.

REPORT
OF THE
MOTHERS' MEETING.

The Mothers' Meeting has been regularly held during the season and has been well attended, the members evincing much interest in their work and in the instruction which is imparted by the ladies in attendance.

Treasurer's Report.

Cash donations	\$39.92
Cash from sales to members	20.65
Cash value of goods donated	11.40
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	\$71.97
Cash paid bills	\$43.44
Discounts and presents	13.48
Balance on hand	15.05
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	\$71.97

E. F. ELLISON,
Treasurer.

REPORT
OF THE
INDIAN HOPE ASSOCIATION.

I herewith report the account of the amount already received from members of the Church of the Epiphany for the "Indian Hope Association," as follows:

Collected by Mrs. Andrew M. Jones....	\$51.00
" " " John J. Gilliams.....	27.00
	\$78.00

Mrs. Jones' subscribers have all paid with the exception of three or four and I expect to make these additional collections within a short time.

MRS. JOHN J. GILLIAMS,
Treasurer.

REPORT
OF THE
McALL MISSION.

There has been collected in the Church of the Epiphany, for the Philadelphia Auxiliary of the McAll Mission, the sum of sixty-six dollars.

MISS GERTRUDE FARR,
Treasurer.

REPORT
OF THE
COMMITTEE ON DECORATION.

As the work of the Committee is self-evident, any elaborate definition is unnecessary; we will only refer to the decorations of Christmas and Easter, and to our wish that there might be a small offering of cut flowers every Sunday.

We would express the warmest thanks to our kind friends in the congregation for their support, and hope that they have received from the decorations the pleasure to which their liberality entitles them.

The congregation is indebted for Easter decorations this year to

Mrs. J. Biddle,	Mr. Edw. Olmsted,
Mrs. Brooke,	Mr. W. C. Prichett,
Mr. W. R. Cunningham,	Mr. B. B. Reath,
Mr. W. P. Ellison,	Mr. E. A. Sibley,
Miss Harmer,	Mrs. T. D. Smith,
Mrs. Howell,	Mrs. Van Pelt,
Mr. W. S. Lane,	Mr. Francis Wells,
Mr. J. B. Love,	Miss Wheeler,
Mrs. Lawson,	Mrs. Thos. Williams, Jr.
Mr. R. C. McMurtrie.	

M. D. PRICHETT,

President.

REPORT
OF THE
INDUSTRIAL DORCAS SOCIETY.

Secretary's Report.

Number of members	7
“ “ meetings held	34
“ “ articles made	691
“ “ garments given away	60
“ “ women employed	40

Treasurer's Report.

Balance from last year	\$ 61.25
Cash from subscriptions	277.81
Cash from closet sales	88.73
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	\$427.79
 Paid for dry goods	 \$353.14
Dorcas expenses	3.90
Sexton's fees	5.00
Balance on hand	65.75
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	\$427.79

A. P. PRICHETT,
Secretary and Treasurer.

In addition to the above, Mrs. E. H. Reath reports the collection of \$26 for the Shoe Fund of the Society, and the distribution of sixteen pairs of shoes in the Chapel School and nine pairs in the Main School, among children who were unable to attend school for the want of them.

REPORT
OF THE
EPIPHANY CHAPEL.

In making my report, I can only speak of the work since my coming to the chapel. This was on the second Sunday in Advent, 1883. I found the chapel almost deserted by those who had formerly been connected with it. The few faithful ones who remained were disheartened. It cannot be expected that from such a state of things, and out of this existing weakness, the work should have developed at once into full strength. I went to work in real earnest, and with the intention to work for permanent results. But, like the planting of a seed, this requires time before the blossoms appear and before the ripened fruit can be gathered. Looking facts fairly in the face, we find that we have no population west or south of us, and the field east and north, from which we draw our congregation, is well provided with church accommodations. Many of our people are faithful and devoted, and have the welfare and prosperity of the chapel fully at heart. Our people are all working people, not rich, and cannot do much financially. They do what they can.

I have held morning and evening service every

Monday and Wednesday regularly, as well as Friday and every evening in Holy Week, during Lent. Total number of services, 71; sermons, 71. Average attendance on Sunday, 130; week-days, 25. I have administered the Holy Communion on the first Sunday of every month, and also on Christmas, Holy Thursday, and Easter, when from 25 to 30 persons have received each time. Adults baptized, 2; infants, 2. Confirmed, 2. Visits from house to house and to the sick, 200. Communion administered to the sick, three times.

I delivered a lecture on the life and missionary labors of St. Patrick, the Apostle of Ireland, to a crowded audience, on St. Patrick's day, in the chapel, the proceeds of which were devoted to the purchase of a new lecturn for the lecture-room. A new altar-cloth, neatly embroidered, has been presented by the ladies of the chapel. A beautiful, new and durable carpet has been placed on the floor of the vestry-room by a lady communicant of the chapel. A new pulpit has been placed in the chapel, high enough to give the preacher full command of the audience, and which helps to improve the interior appearance of the whole. A new and exquisitely embroidered black silk stole was presented by one of the lady communicants of the chapel on Easter day. These facts go to show that our people love the chapel and are working for its prosperity. On Christmas, the chapel was properly decorated with greens, and on Easter, neatly and tastefully with the most beautiful flowers.

Our Sunday School is doing as well as could be expected, all things considered. Our scholars are orderly, and we look for a brighter future. We have nine large classes and an infant class, numbering about ninety. We need teachers. We have but two teachers who are regular attendants at the chapel services, the others come from the church, and some even from other parishes. Mr. H. A. Doan is the superintendent, and Miss Fenton teaches the infant class. Our teachers discharge their duties faithfully. We have a short catechetical exercise every Sunday after the Lesson. May God bless us in our work and make His face to shine upon us; may His kingdom be enlarged; may many souls be instructed in the way of life through our instrumentality, and may His most holy name be ever more and more honored and glorified among us.

A. GEORGE BAKER,

Minister in charge.

REPORT
OF THE
CHAPEL INFANT CLASS.

The class now numbers about eighty-five children,—the same as at the writing of last year's report. There have been, as usual, many changes, either on account of removal to a higher class, or to other schools; but new scholars have come in to fill up the vacancies, so that the class has not suffered. Notwithstanding the numerous stormy Sundays during the past winter, the children have attended with as much regularity as formerly.

The teaching has been of the same character as in previous years, and is adapted, it is hoped, to the needs of those under instruction. The Church Year is simply explained, thereby bringing clearly into view, the events of our Blessed Lord's Life, hymns are taught, and such portions of the Catechism as very young children can learn.

Nearly all the members of the class have been baptized, and efforts are being made to bring all our little ones to that Sacrament. In some cases the parents are disposed to neglect the matter, but, as a rule, they can be induced to have it attended to by a personal appeal from the Minister in charge. Since May 1st, 1883, the class has contributed \$22.93 to the Missions of the Church. During the winter a number of the more needy among the children have been supplied with shoes, by the kind liberality of a lady in the parish.

FANNY J. FENTON, *Teacher.*

GENERAL REMARKS.

The past year has been one of more than wonted interest in the history of the Parish, both on account of the special activity manifested in the various departments of Church work, and by reason of the fact of our having celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of our existence as a church. Following this report will be found a full account of our Semi-Centennial Celebration, to which I take pleasure in referring the congregation. This account, together with the historical sketch accompanying it, has been kindly prepared by Mr. Francis Wells, to whom we are deeply indebted for the time and labor which he has so generously expended upon this work.

With reference to the work of the Parish. I would say that we have much reason for thankfulness and encouragement.

Notwithstanding the long and severe character of the winter, and the unusual amount of sickness in a large number of our homes, the Parish has continued to be more than equal to its responsibilities in connection with many of its benevolent and missionary enterprises. I would specially emphasize the work of the Lenten Missionary Society. I would congratulate the children of the Sunday Schools for the faithfulness which many of them have manifested by regularity in attendance and good behavior when present.

The officers also have been untiring in their efforts in behalf of their departments; and the teachers, one and all, deserve a word of thanks for their zeal and perseverance in the good work.

The meetings on Monday evenings have been a source of unabated pleasure and profit to us all; and to judge of the matter from the full number of teachers usually present, I am sure they will agree with my estimate of the meetings when I say that they are doing good, and are of great service to those who avail themselves of this opportunity for studying the word of God together, and for learning those things which are able to make both ourselves and others wise unto salvation. I also wish to express a word of gratitude to the teachers of the different Bible classes for their diligence and fidelity. The Young People's Bible Class, which meets on Sunday morning, continues to flourish, and gives substantial proof, from time to time, of its being an instrument of usefulness to the young people of the Parish. It is a steady feeder to the Confirmation Classes, and also supplies to the Sunday School some of its most efficient and earnest teachers. The Women's Bible Class has been doing its work quietly under the faithful management of its old teacher, and is one of the most interesting agencies for religious instruction which we have in operation.

The Chinese Class perseveres in its labor of love towards the men of that race in our city. It is a

work which requires great patience, but the ladies engaged in it are not lacking in the requirements of their duty.

The increasing attendance at the various services of the sanctuary deserve a word of commendation, and give promise of still better things for the future.

During the year we have been called upon to lament the death of two or three of our oldest and most devoted members, but we sorrow not as those without hope, and are comforted by the assurance that through the grave and gate of death they have passed into the Paradise of God, where, in joy and felicity, they do now rest from their labors.

In submitting this report to the congregation, I do so with the prayer that God may bless us in the future as He has done in the past, and that He may own our work in the Final Day, when the fire shall try every man's work, of what sort it is; and that He may count us among the number of those who have had no other motive influencing them than an eye single to His glory and the love of Christ constraining them.

GEORGE HERBERT KINSOLVING,
Rector.

PARISH NOTES.

Address of the Rector:—The Rev. G. H. Kinsolving, No. 234 South Twentieth Street.

Addresses of the Assistant Ministers:—Rev. Richard L. Howell, No. 1624 Spruce Street. Rev. A. George Baker, in charge of the Chapel, No. 2804 North 11th Street.

Services.

Sunday morning, 11 A.M. All the year.

Sunday afternoon, 4 o'clock, from September to July.

Wednesdays, 4.30 P.M. in the Church.

All Holy Days, 9 A.M. in the Church.

Mondays, 8 P.M. Meeting in room under the Vestry room for the study of the Sunday School lesson.

Sunday Schools, 2.30 P.M., from September to July.

Young People's Bible Class, Sundays, 9.30 A.M. in the room under the Vestry-room, from October to Whitsunday.

Women's Bible Class, Sundays, 3 P.M. in the room over the Vestry-room, from October to Whitsunday.